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BIRTHS.

BAYLEY—At Anneville House, Carlow, the wife of Capt. A. Bayley, a son.

JACKSON—January 6, 1920, at 75 Russell av., Drumcondra, the wife of Rev. J. Jackson, of a son.

MOORE—December 18, 1919, at Delhi, India, the wife of Lieutenant-Colonel F. G. Moore, of a daughter.

WHITE—December 27, 1919, at Iona, Grove Park, to Mr. and Mrs. D. J. L. White, 34 Kenilworth Park, Rathmines, a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

PAULEY and JOHNSON—January 3, 1920, at St. John's Church, Dublin, by the Rev. Canon Day, assisted by Rev. T. J. Harvey and Rev. J. Wood, Rev. W. Cecil de Pauley, son of William Pauley, Portrush, to S. Winifred, daughter of the late H. J. Johnson, Clonbrooey, Edgeworthstown.

DIXON and JACKSON—December 31, 1919, at Bridgend, Lelgion, by the Rev. J. Milne, Major Gordon Dixon, M.C., son of late Major Edward Dixon, R.A., to Evelyn May, youngest daughter of Rev. Jackson, Closeburnie, Portarlington, Queen's County.

HOWARD and GILLESPIE—December 31, 1919, at Conlaeth Church, by the father of the bride, assisted by the Rev. H. K. R. Gillespie, M.A., Rector of Agnadrum (brother of the bride), Harold Maurice Howard, Captain, R.A.S.C., son of the late Henry Howard, New York, and, Mrs. Purcell, Roanoath, near Limerick, to Muriel Archer, second daughter of the Very Rev. Henry Gillespie, D.D., Rector of Killenaule and Dean of Cashel.

HERRIN and STACK—January 1, 1920, at Rathgar Church, St. Stephen's Green, Dublin, by the Rev. Father Sherwin, Benjamin Dumer Merrin, M.B., son of Mrs. Merrin, Cambridge House, Rathfarnham, to Josephine, youngest daughter of the late Henry James Stack, J.P., and Mrs. Stack, Listowel, Co. Kerry.

SULLIVAN and DAWSON—December 29, 1919, at Clontarf Presbyterian Church, by the Rev. J. Morton, Garth, Richard O'Sullivan, R.A.F., youngest son of the late Dr. O'Sullivan and Mrs. O'Sullivan, 50 Pembroke rd., to Mollie, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Dawson, 1 Leinster ter., Adelaide rd.

DEATHS.

ADAM—January 1, 1920, after a short illness, Bessie Charlotte, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Watson Beam, Belfast, aged 10.

BRENE—January 5, 1920, at Cushel, Edwin Dubois Brene, late of Northfield, Finchley, youngest son of the late George Grene, R.L., J.P., of Powerscourt, Enniskerry.

CANNAN—January 6, 1920, at Colorado Springs, Colorado, James Hannan, second son of James Cannan, J.P., Ballymote. Deeply regretted by his sorrowing parents and brothers. R.I.P.

CUSSEY—January 3, 1920, at his residence, 22 Donegal st. Deeply regretted by his sorrowing wife and family. Funeral to-day (Thursday), at 12.30 for Mount Jerome.

DOYLE—January 7, 1920, suddenly, Olga Doyle, only beloved daughter of the late Rev. Percy Park, and Mrs. Park, 3 Belgrave Park, Cork. To live in the hearts of those we love is not to die.

ELLIOTT—December 13, 1919, at the Presidency Hospital, Calcutta, John Strong, second son of the late Wm. Scott, of 2 Lower Sackville pl., Dublin.

EVEARES—January 6, 1920, at Glebe View, Baldrum, William Charles, aged 30 years, son of late Spencer. Funeral to Glenealy, 12 o'clock, Saturday (Friday).

THOMSON—January 7, 1920, at her residence, Inkerin, Lindsay rd., Dublin, Constance Jane, beloved wife of John Thomson, of Provincial Bank, and eldest daughter of the late Reverend George Drummond, L.M.S. Missionary to Jamaica. Funeral private. Scotch papers please copy.

TIGHE—January 5, 1920, at her residence, 19 Grenda Park, East, Kingstown, Mary Tighe, widow of the late Richard Davenport Tighe, Ballinaslee, deeply mourned. Funeral (private) to-day (Thursday) to family burial place, St. Michan's.

WALLACE—January 7, 1920, at his residence, Ballinahinch, Multyfarnham, Patrick J. Wallace. Deeply regretted by his sorrowing wife and family. R.I.P. Office and High Mass to-morrow (Friday) at 11 a.m. Funeral same day from Multyfarnham at 2 o'clock.

WOODS—January 7, 1920, suddenly, at Central Hotel, Castlecaulfield, John Brabazon, darling husband of Isabella Woods, aged 62 years. "For ever with the Lord." Funeral to Mayne to-morrow (Friday) at 1 p.m.

IN MEMORIAM.

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Notice is hereby given in pursuance of the provisions of Act of Parliament 53 Vict., cap. 29, sec. 54, intituled "An Act to Amend the Law of Charitable Donations and Mortmain," that the above named Isabella Hayes, by her Will bearing date the 6th day of December, 1910, directed that the property inherited by her as residuary legatee under the Will of her brother, Thomas Cooper Hayes, consisting chiefly of securities transferred to her, and a sum of £1,500 in cash in waiters' freeholds, and amounting in all money might be at the time of her death, be kept separate from her other estate, and be called the Thomas Crawford Hayes Fund; and, after clearing said fund with the payment of certain annuities, duties, and legacies, as therein specified, she directed that the residue of said fund should be paid to the Governors and Guardians of the Royal Hospital for Incurables, Donnybrook, Co. Dublin, St. Vincent's Hospital, The Mater Hospital, and Jervis Hospital, all in the City of Dublin, and in equal shares.
And by a Codicil to her said Will, bearing date the 29th day of June, 1912, the said Deceased made the following bequests, viz.:—
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The Testator died on the 6th day of May, 1919, and Probate of his said Will was granted on the 14th day of August, 1919, both of the Principal Registry, Land Beach Division (Probate of the High Court of Justice in Ireland), to Thomas B. Doyle, of The Abbey, Rathgar, Co. Mayo, Business Manager, and Fred. J. Hume, of St. Mary's, Haddington road, Co. Dublin, Catholic Curate, two of the Executors therein named, and Double Probate of his said Will was granted on the 4th day of September, 1919, to Mrs. Sarah Finnegan, of No. 60 Londesboro road, Co. Dublin, Widow, the other Executrix therein named.
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The Testatrix died on the 28th day of October, 1919, and Probate of her said Will was granted on the 10th day of December, 1919, to Thomas J. Conway, Solicitor, one of the Executors named in said Will, Testatrix died on the 28th October, 1919.
Dated this 9th day of December, 1919.
THOMAS J. CONWAY, Solicitor for said Executor, 24 Fitzwm street, Dublin.
To the Commissioners of Charitable Donations and Bequests for Ireland, and all others concerned.

Notice of Motion for Presentation of Petition—No. 21.
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE IN IRELAND.
KING'S BENCH DIVISION—IN BANKRUPTCY.
In the Matter of
GEORGE F. MACKEY, of Glebe House, Ballybrophy, in the Queen's County, Farmer, a Bankrupt.
A Public Sitting in this Matter will be held before the Chief Clerk, at the Bankruptcy Buildings, Four Courts, Dublin, on Tuesday, the 20th day of January, 1920, at the hour of 11 o'clock in the forenoon, for the Proof and Admission of Debts and for the vouching of the Official Assignee's account.
A Creditor may lodge his debt at the sitting or send his affidavit of debt in the prescribed form or his declaration attested by the undersigned Official Assignee, five days previously to the sitting in order to have the same admitted.
Dated this 3rd day of January, 1920.
CHARLES CLARKE, Deputy Registrar.
A. G. HOLLINGSHEAD, Official Assignee, Bankruptcy Buildings, Four Courts, Dublin.
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French—Bartley, J.; Arthur, W.; Whyte, J. N.
English—Arthur, W.; Fulton, R. J.; Porter, R. A.
Experimental Science—M'Burney, —; Carruthers, A. S. B.; and Porter, — (equal).

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A General Meeting of this Association, pursuant to Rule No. 15, will be held in the Solicitors' Hall, Four Courts, Dublin, on Friday, the 30th January, 1920, at 3 o'clock, to be taken at 3 p.m.
Dated this 6th day of January, 1920.
By Order, F. C. EARLE BLAND, Secretary.

NOTICE PUBLISHING TIME AND PLACE OF AUDIT.
DUBLIN UNION.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Audit of the Accounts of the Dublin Union for the half-years ended the 31st day of March, 1919, and 30th day of September, 1919, will be held by the Board of Guardians of the Workhouse of the Union by Cyril Brereton, Esq., Local Government Auditor, on the 19th day of January, 1920, at the hour of 11 o'clock a.m., when and where objections to any matter contained in the said accounts may be heard. That the said accounts will be open during office hours for the inspection of all persons interested for seven days before the Audit.
Dated the 7th day of January, 1920.
JOHN F. DONOVAN, Clerk of the Union.

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REGISTRATION OF CLUBS (IRELAND) ACT, 1904.
Notice is hereby given that an Application has been lodged in pursuance of the above Act with the Clerk of the Peace for the District of Wicklow, being the Registration Area in which the International Club is situate, by a Certificated International Club is situate, THE COMRADES OF THE GREAT WAR (CLUB, WICKLOW AND RATHDOWN BRANCH), situate at The Commercial Buildings, Wicklow, in the Parish of Rathnew, Barony of Newcastle and County of Wicklow.
Dated this 7th day of January, 1920.
FRANCIS KENNEDY, Solicitor for said Club, Church street, Wicklow.

REGISTRATION OF CLUBS (IRELAND) ACT, 1904.
Take notice that an application will be made for a Renewal of the Certificate of the Carrickmines Lawn Tennis Club under the above Act.
Carrickmines House, Co. Dublin, 8th January, 1920. A. E. WILSON, Hon. Secretary.

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AT 3.30 AND 7 O'CLOCK.

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ARMY CONTRACTS.
Sealed Tenders will be received at the undersigned office until 12 o'clock noon on Thursday, 15th January, 1920, for the Conveyance of Military Stores in the Dublin Brigade and area, during a period of twelve months, commencing 1st February, 1920. Conditions of Contract, and any further information may be obtained on application, and any further information may be obtained on application, and any further information may be obtained on application

FROM "THE TIMES" OF TO-DAY.

(BY SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT WITH THE PROPRIETORS OF *THE TIMES*.)

THE RAILWAYMEN'S MEETING.

The Times, in a leading article to-day, points out that the question at stake (in the railway dispute) is more than one merely of wages. Labour's claim to be a broad national party will be vindicated only if it can reject purely sectional and local considerations for the sake of a big general principle. Now that Kaiserism, says *The Times*, under so many of its various forms is laid low, there are two main contending principles in politics—the representative or constitutional principle, and the Soviet principle, which, in various guises, exhibits the common characteristic of tyranny by a section or a minority. In which of these two directions is the mind of Labour moving? Will Labour acknowledge the authority of its leaders, which is at the very root of collective bargaining? Without this representative mandate to its leaders, Labour must tend to drift into opposition to the representative principle and into sympathy with Sovietdoms. With it, Labour is revealed as a force which has sympathy with the ideals of representative government, and a great future assured to it in its peaceful and constitutional development. There has been some discussion of late as to the power of the Labour Party to form a National Government, and it is significant that Mr. Thomas, the leader of the railwaymen, has been the chief champion of those who maintain that Labour is a party capable of a broad and national, as distinguished from a sectional outlook on politics, and therefore capable of forming a national Government, or what, for the present, is of greater immediate importance, of worthily fulfilling the duties of His Majesty's Opposition. This, too, is one of the issues that to-day's decision will help to settle. If the railwaymen can rise to the height of a national argument on their own economic affairs, then it will be strong presumptive evidence that Labour as a whole can do the same, and is capable of the high future to which destiny seems to be calling it, of being His Majesty's Opposition, and ultimately His Majesty's Government. We do not say that a right decision to accept will reconcile all the enemies of Labour. We do say that it will encourage those who do not fear a Labour Government, and console those who are now afraid of it, by the thought that whether its policy be right or wrong, it will, at any rate, be loyal to our constitutional traditions, and be conceived on the lines, not of sectional interest, but of national policy.

HOME SETTLEMENT ADVANCED.

We understand, says *The Times*, that yesterday's conversation between Signor Nitti and Mr. Lloyd George was marked by perfect cordiality on both sides, and the Italian Prime Minister expressed himself last night as greatly gratified and hopeful that at the forthcoming conferences in Paris a solution would be found which would prove acceptable to all parties. His desire is to establish the best possible relations between the Italians and the Yugo-Slavs, with whom he sympathises. Mr. Lloyd George, Lord Curzon, and several of their colleagues leave London this morning for Paris. They will be accompanied by a large technical staff, numbering some fifty persons. The Italian Premier (Signor Nitti), the Italian Foreign Minister (Signor Scialoja), and their staff will accompany the British contingent. It is expected that the Conference in Paris will last at least three days—though it is uncertain whether in so short a time it will be possible to settle the questions like those of the Treaty with Turkey and the Adriatic problem. We understand that the French Government suggested the postponement of the Conference until after the Presidential election on the 17th instant, and the consequent formation of a new French Cabinet. The British and Italian Prime Ministers felt, however, unable to fall in with this suggestion in view of the delay it would entail. The French Government, therefore, agreed that the Conference should be held at once, even if it were only to last forty-eight hours. Consequently, the departure of the British contingent and the Italian Ministers was accelerated.

THE DISMISSAL OF SIR JOSEPH BYRNE.

The arbitrary dismissal, says *The Times* in a leading article to-day, of one of the most important officials in Ireland at the present grave juncture in Irish affairs, especially when that official will probably have the strong sympathy of the Irish police force, is an action which demands the most ample justification. The discreditable circumstances of the Harrel case are still in the public mind, and those surrounding the dismissal of Sir Joseph Byrne will naturally give rise to the widest and most unfortunate suppositions unless they are immediately explained. We regard it as of the utmost importance that the whole facts of this case should be laid forthwith before the public. *The Times* continues—The dismissal of a man who, in so far as the public estimate of him is concerned, is one of the most valuable officials in Ireland, raises in acute form the whole question of Irish administration. If the Irish Government have done right, now is their opportunity to justify their discharge of the trust which has been reposed in them. If they have done wrong, we sincerely hope that Sir Joseph Byrne will be honourably reinstated in his office, whatever consequences such a reinstatement may involve.

PROHIBITION PROTEST.

The New York Correspondent of *The Times*, telegraphing yesterday, says—The unpopularity of prohibition in the Atlantic States was addressed afresh to-day in a sensational fashion by Governor Smith, who, in an annual message to the New York Legislature, urged it to rescind its ratification of the amendment to the Constitution, and submit the whole question to the electors at the next General Election. Mr. Smith observed that, but for the action of the Party caucus in ordering the ratification, a sufficient number of members, whose personal sentiments and convictions were opposed to prohibition would have voted against ratification. He added that no reasonable argument existed against submitting to the people a question which affected their personal liberty. Any man who opposed such submission assumed the rôle of dictator. The Governor concluded by remarking that a *referendum* was necessary to impress upon the people of the United States the true opinion and position of the people of New York State.

THE STOCK EXCHANGE.

One of the best features in Stock Markets yesterday, says *The Times*, was the steady investment demand for gilt-edged securities, and especially the scrips of recent Colonial issues. There were buyers of all Mexican securities, among which the 5 *per cent.* Government Loan had a sharp rise of 8 points. Dealers in the Home Railway Market were in a more hopeful frame of mind regarding the labour outlook, and the tendency was, perhaps, a shade steadier in the later dealings. The demand for Iron and Steel Shares continued, but Textile Shares were subjected to profit-taking after their recent appreciable advance. Shipping securities showed strength, and at the Mining end of the House a further advance in Mysore Gold was a feature.

MEXICAN EARTHQUAKE'S TOLL.

In a message dated Mexico City, Tuesday, Reuter's Correspondent says:—According to official advices, Coustlan (query Cotaxylin) was destroyed in Saturday's earthquake. There were 8,000 casualties, including more than 1,000 dead. The entire garrison at Riccolo was either killed or injured, the dead numbering 30 and the injured 60. There were 300 dead in Barranca Grande. The water level at Barranca del Agua rose just over 75 feet.

IRONMOULDERS' STRIKE. BALLOT.

MAJORITIES AGAINST ACCEPTANCE.

The following are the results of the ironmoulders' ballots announced last night:—Sunderland—For accepting terms 68, against 195; Barrow—For 25, against 284; Derby—For 441, against 156; South Shields—For 36, against 219; Bury—For 14, against 548; Middlesborough—For 92, against 36; Jarrow—For 54, against 47; Leeds—For 173, against 882. Otley also has balloted against acceptance.

SUPREME COUNCIL.

EXCHANGE OF RATIFICATIONS.

POLAND AND CZECHO-SLOVAKIA.

A SYRIAN AGREEMENT.

A telegram from Paris, dated Wednesday, says:—Whilst it is not impossible for the formal exchange of the ratifications of the Peace Treaty to take place here on Saturday next, it is now considered likely, owing to the difficulties encountered by the Expert Committees, that the ceremony may have to be postponed until Monday.

The Allies' reply to the recent German Note requesting a reduction in the number of troops occupying territories in which plebiscites are about to be taken, declares that Germany's demands cannot be entertained.

The *Temps* understands that the main provisions of the agreement which has been reached between the Emir Feisul and the French Government are as follows:—The Emir Feisul agrees to France's exercising a mandate on the whole of Syria, and, in return, France consents to the formation of an Arab State, embracing the towns of Damascus, Homs, and Aleppo, which will be administered by the Emir Feisul, acting jointly with the assistance of French advisers and inspectors. The definite allocation of the Bekaa region will be made by the Conference, but it is probable that the claims presented by the Lebanon have every chance of being accepted. The Emir Feisul accepts the financial and economic collaboration of France. The visit of the Emir Feisul to Syria is for the purpose of preparing the way for collaboration between France and the Musulmans of Syria.

THE POLISH TREATY.

Reuter's Agency learns from a Polish source that the Supreme Council in Paris has ratified the Treaty between the principal Allied Powers, on the one hand, and Poland and Czecho-Slovakia on the other, regulating the frontiers dividing those two countries. On the question of Teschen, the Council endorses the decision of September 27th.

The Hungarian Peace Delegation arrived in Paris on Wednesday.

AMERICAN DEMOCRATS AND THE TREATY.

AN ELECTION CAMPAIGN ISSUE.

Telegraphing from Washington on Wednesday, Reuter's Correspondent says:—Mr. Cummings, Chairman of the Democratic National Committee, announced to-day that a resolution endorsing President Wilson's position with regard to the Peace Treaty, and recommending his efforts to establish a League of Nations, would be submitted to the Committee to-morrow. It is generally expected that the resolution will be adopted, and members of the Committee predict that the Treaty will be discussed both in a letter from President Wilson and in the speech by Mr. Bryan at the Committee dinner at Jackson Bay. Mr. Cummings's announcement is considered in some quarters as an increased prospect that the Treaty will be a campaign issue between the Democrats and the Republicans.

SIGNOR NITTI'S VISIT.

CONFERENCE AT DOWNING STREET.

A CABINET COUNCIL.

The Anglo-Italian conversations were concluded yesterday, and this morning Mr. Lloyd George will leave London for Paris, accompanied by the Italian Ministers and by Earl Curzon, Mr. Bonar Law, and Mr. Montagu, with the members of their respective staffs.

The Italian Premier, Foreign Minister, and Ambassador arrived at 10 Downing street yesterday at noon, and the British and Italian Premiers were closeted together for a considerable time. Mr. Bonar Law and Earl Curzon were available for consultation during the conference. The discussions lasted only about an hour and a half, and were followed by a private luncheon party, which comprised the Prince of Wales, with Admiral Halsey and Colonel Grigg, his staff, the Prime Minister, Mr. Bonar Law, Earl Curzon, and the three Italian representatives. After the latter left, the Prince remained chatting with the British Ministers for nearly an hour.

Later, Earl Beatty and other experts arrived, and a Cabinet Council was held.

It is understood that both the British and Italian representative are satisfied with the results of the conversation.

It is expected that the Premier's visit to Paris will last about a fortnight.

RUSSIAN SITUATION.

LETT-POLISH ADVANCE.

THE SIBERIAN DIFFICULTY.

Reuter learns that in well-informed quarters considerable importance is attached to the joint move of the Poles and the Letts against the Bolsheviks. Although the Poles and the Letts jointly took Dvinsk, it appears that the town will be held by the Letts only.

DENIKIN RETREATING.

According to a Berlin telegram, dated Tuesday, a Ukrainian official statement says—Under the pressure of the Ukrainian National Army, advancing in close contact with the Ukrainian insurgents, General Denikin's army is retreating along the whole front in a southerly direction on Odessa. The entire government of Podolia has already been evacuated by the Russians, and a big haul of railway materials—mostly of British origin—has fallen into the hands of the Ukrainians at Schomerinka.

M. Litvinoff, says a Copenhagen telegram, states that the Bolshevist armies, after taking General Denikin's headquarters at Taganrog and definitely splitting his armies in two, are within a score of miles of Mariupol, on the Azoff Sea, and are approaching the Don Cossacks' capital, Novocherkask.

NO COMMUNICATION WITH IRKUTSK.

Reuter learns that, according to a telegram from a British source in Vladivostok, telegraphic communication with Irkutsk has been suspended. The work of maintaining order in Siberia falls on the Japanese and the Americans who are now on the spot. The Czecho-Slovaks in Siberia have been asked to assist. The situation is described as very bad.

BULGARIAN UNREST.

THE GOVERNMENT RESIGNS.

A Bulgarian semi-official telegram from Sofia says—M. Stambuliuski, Premier, was attacked by a Bolshevist band on his return journey from Belgrade, where his Mission completely failed. The Bulgarian Government has resigned, and the Socialists are trying to form a Cabinet.

A Berlin telegram says—According to the latest telegrams regarding the situation in Bulgaria, the Government has called up the reserves. Collisions between strikers and the police have occurred in many towns.

M. CLEMENCEAU AND THE PRESIDENCY.

It now seems certain, says Reuter's Paris Correspondent, that at the plenary sitting of Parliament, at which, on the eve of the elections, will take place the designation of candidates for the Presidency of the Republic, M. Clemenceau's friends will, with or without the Premier's permission, forward his name. M. Clemenceau will then have to give his decision, but it seems unlikely that he will refuse the overwhelming majority which would, undoubtedly, support his candidature.

WIRELESS TO ROME.

A special wireless service between England and Italy for the use of the newspaper Press was opened on Tuesday by the Marconi Company. This service, authorised by the Italian Government and the British Post Office, was instituted particularly to assist the Italian Press in obtaining prompt reports of the Italian Prime Minister's visit to London. The Marconi high-powered station at Carnarron is being used for the purpose, and three hours daily have been allotted for this particular traffic.

THE KAISER AND THE SULTAN.

LETTERS TO THE TSAR.

IMPERIAL NAVAL CRITIC.

COLD CONSOLATION.

In the first of to-day's instalments of the Kaiser's letters to the Tsar, published in the *Morning Post*, and quoted by the Press Association, there is an amusing account of a conversation which the German Ambassador had with the Sultan *apropos* of the Mürzsteg programme, drawn up by Russia and Austria for Macedonian reforms. The Sultan, says the Kaiser, was very tough, and decidedly of the idea that a refusal to comply with the wishes of Russo-Austria, backed by me, would bring no great harm to him. The Ambassador had to make use of every power of expression feasible for him, versus a Monarch, to bring the gravity of the situation home to His Majesty, and left him a sadder but a wiser man. Another interesting piece of news reached me from Sofia. The Prime Minister of the Arch-plotter, in conversation after dinner, gave utterance to his and his country's extreme dissatisfaction at the Mürzsteg programme.

In December, 1903, the Kaiser informed the Tsar that the Japanese were clandestinely arming the Chinese against them, and said that they would constitute a grave danger to the Tsar's rear in case he had to face a Japanese adventure on the sea shore. I hope, he added, that the Admiral of the Pacific will not be angry with the Admiral of the Atlantic's signals, who is always on the lock-out.

In the following month the Kaiser writes about a scheme concerning Danish neutrality, and says—Considering the bygone days of '64, it is clear that the Danes still look a little askance at us, and therefore they will view a proposal relating to their destiny with more favour if it comes from you. He encloses with the letter English paper cuttings, "to show you how they are blowing on the flames where they can," and going on to discuss Russia's policy in the East, says—It is evident to every unbiassed mind that Korea must and will be Russian. When and how—that is nobody's affair, and concerns only you and your country.

A few days later, on the eve of the Russo-Japanese war, the Kaiser expressed the hope that Japan would listen to reason, notwithstanding the frantic efforts of the vile Press of a certain country that also seems to have money left to sink it into the Japanese mobilisation abyss. I send you, the letter continues, a copy of the *Marine Rundschau*, with articles about ironclad cruisers written by "L." This "L." is a mask under which I hide myself, for I wrote it, but nobody has a blessed notion except Tirpitz. As material for his article written in November, I managed to get very interesting details about the Rivadavia and Moreno, now presented to Japan by England, who were then building for the Argentine. These data, which were quite confidential, were submitted to me by express permission of the President of the Argentine. As the ships may interest you, I send you the atlas for your personal use. May your men not have to fight against them. It is indeed a great pity you did not buy them.

EGYPTIAN CLAIMS.

LORD MILNER AND THE MUFTI.

AN INTERESTING DIALOGUE.

Writing on January 3rd, Reuter's Cairo Correspondent says—*El Mior* publishes to-day a résumé of the recent conversations between Lord Milner and the Grand Mufti of Egypt. According to the journal, Lord Milner explained that he had called on the Mufti simply as a visitor, and that he saw that the situation in Egypt had been much modified since his had been in the country.

The Mufti replied—"Yes, for the better."

Lord Milner—Egypt is, generally speaking, very prosperous.

The Mufti—Its progress is most striking from the intellectual point of view.

Lord Milner—Perhaps so. I observe (the troubled spirit of the country, of which I do not know the cause.

The Mufti—That troubled spirit is due to a natural cause. After the declarations of the great Allies' statesmen proclaiming the principles of liberty for all peoples, Egypt, as the exception, finds her hopes frustrated, and a protectorate declared when she was expecting independence.

Lord Milner—I consider a protectorate to be to Egypt's interests, because it defends her against aggression. Do not the Egyptians understand that the interests of Great Britain and Egypt require a protectorate? Your independence would menace our interests in Egypt and the Orient.

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The Mufti replied—In my capacity as religious chief, I can only reply that it is impossible to convince the nation of the utility of what I am unconvinced myself. The entire nation claims independence, and it would, therefore, be useless to speak any other language. I do not forget your power, but if the Egyptians bend to-day before force they will profit by the first occasion to revolt. The guarantee of force is not eternal. An Arab proverb says—"Fear your enemy, but fear a thousand times more your friend, for your friend may become an enemy, and he will know better how to harm you." Between Syria occupied by France, and Tripoli occupied by Italy, it is better for you that Egypt should be independent, and a friend.

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UNITED STATES AND THE NEAR EAST.

THE RELIEF PROBLEM.

Reuter's New York Correspondent writes:—In a telegram to the headquarters of the Committee for the relief of the populations in the Near East, Mr. Hoover says:—With our taxes 600 per cent. over previous rates, there is no need for drawing on the United States Treasury for further loans. The problem is one for the ratification of peace, and ordinary business processes. There is no ground for hysteria on either side of the Atlantic. He added that the continuance of the bread supply was, however, necessary.

AGRICULTURAL LABOURERS' HOURS AND WAGES.

A private conference of the Workers' Union in London yesterday considered the position of agricultural labourers in regard to wages and hours of work, and the Press Association was informed that resolutions were passed demanding the immediate establishment of a fifty shillings per week minimum, with a minimum advance of 10s. a week to all agricultural workers.

The Press were admitted to the afternoon proceedings, when the Secretary, Mr. Dallas, intimated that in connection with the question of including agricultural workers in the 48 hours' bill, a recent abortive conference between farmers and landlords would be followed next week by deliberations between representatives of farmers' unions of England, Scotland, and Ireland, Agricultural Labourers' Union, Workers' Union, Scottish farm servants, Irish Transport Workers' Union, and the National Amalgamated Union of Labour, and without the presence of landlords. Agricultural labourers wished inclusion in the bill, but did not want the working week limited to 48 hours.

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HOME RULE SCHEME CONDEMNED.

RESOLUTION OF IRISH UNIONIST ALLIANCE.

PARTITION HATEFUL TO ALL.

FIRM ADMINISTRATION OF THE LAW.

At a largely-attended meeting of the Standing Committee of the Executive of the Irish Unionist Alliance held in Dublin yesterday, the Right Hon. Lord Kilmaine, D.L., presiding, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:—

"That this Committee of the Irish Unionist Alliance, having given the Prime Minister's proposals most careful consideration, and recognising that in putting them forward he and the Cabinet Ministers associated with him have made an honest endeavour to settle the Irish problem on fair and reasonable lines according to English ideas, feels, nevertheless, bound to inform him that, in the opinion of those for whom this Committee speaks, these proposals, instead of bringing peace and contentment to Ireland, would, if given legislative force, simply still further accentuate and embitter the present differences between the various sections of the Irish people, and put a dangerous weapon into the hands of the declared enemies of the Empire. The proposals are condemned by every party and sect in Ireland; they are utterly unacceptable to the Southern Unionists whom this Committee represents, who regard them with dismay and apprehension, and as a bitter reward for all the loyalty and support given by them to the Imperial Government through many generations, in good times and in bad, and especially during the recent war.

"The solution of 'partition' is hateful to us, as well as to our Nationalist fellow-countrymen. We fully admit that the present state of three-quarters of this country is deplorable, but we feel bound to add that these unhappy conditions are, in our opinion, simply the natural result of many years of maladministration, especially by those responsible for the government of Ireland during Mr. Asquith's period of office, when lawlessness in many forms was condoned, if not encouraged, and many safeguards against disorder and outrage deliberately relaxed. We also desire to record our mature opinion that until Irishmen can sink their differences and agree to work together for the common good of their own country and the Empire, no proposals for a change of government stand any chance of success. Ireland has prospered greatly under the Union, especially during the last few years; the laws are the same for all, and, when properly and fairly administered, the Union form of government is, in our opinion, the best, and, indeed, the only one, under which, in the present conditions, Ireland can be saved from civil war and anarchy."

CONTROL OF RAILWAYS.

FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR SEVEN MONTHS.

PROSPECT OF DECREASED DEFICIT.

A statement was issued last night by the Ministry of Transport showing the financial results of the railway working for the months of September and October. The total figures for the first seven months of the current financial year are also given. The figures for the two additional months, September and October, confirm the correctness of the estimate of a deficit of £45,000,000 in respect of the financial year ending 31st March, 1920, which made no allowance for any increased revenue to be derived from an increase in goods rates. As, however, those rates are being increased as from the 15th January, a reduction in the deficit may be expected.

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NEW YORK LEGISLATURE AND THE SOCIALISTS.

FIVE MEMBERS EXCLUDED.

Five Socialist members of the New York State Legislature have, says an Albany telegram, been denied seats, pending an investigation into their eligibility and qualifications, after the Speaker of the Assembly had denounced the Socialist programme as absolutely inimical to the best interests of the State and the United States. The motion against giving the Socialists their seats was passed by 140 votes to six. The Socialists were escorted out of the Chamber by the Serjeant-at-Arms when they declined to leave voluntarily.

A verdict of wilful murder against some person or persons unknown was returned at an inquest at Newcastle last night on William Fennell (30), found dead in bed at the end of November in the house he occupied alone, with a wound in the head. There was £300 in War Savings Certificates and £16 in cash. A blood-stained axe was found. Fennell was described as a man of eccentric habits, a drug-taker, and a woman-hater.

THE RAILWAYMEN'S MEETING.

NO DECISION REACHED.

FURTHER NEGOTIATIONS PROBABLE.

The National Union of Railwaymen's Delegates' Conference at Unity House, London, yesterday, adjourned soon after five o'clock until 9.30 this morning, no vote having been taken on the main issue. The delegates were pledged to secrecy, and no statement was obtainable beyond one made by Mr. Thomas to the Press Association representative shortly before the adjournment. He then said—"The Conference has been engaged in having explanations which obviously could not be given at the various meetings that were held on Sunday. No decision of any kind has been arrived at. I have nothing to add to what I stated at Birmingham on Sunday last. It is clearly my duty, however, to point out that the resolutions so far from the branches and the delegates' instructions were overwhelmingly against acceptance."

Mr. Thomas further intimated that Mr. Abrahams had been elected President for the time being, to preside over the Conference.

The Press Association adds that it is obvious that the chances of the delegates' meeting endorsing the present terms are exceedingly remote. Definite rejection is not anticipated. It is much more likely that the delegates will instruct the negotiating Committees to approach the Government again. The delegates may continue in session while a further interview with the Government takes place. It is understood that the request for a further meeting with the Government would not be refused.

THE MOTOR PERMIT STRIKE.

EFFECTS OF PETROL SHORTAGE.

The strike of the members of the Irish Automobile Drivers' and Mechanics' Union in Dublin, as a protest against the application of the Motor Permit Order continued yesterday without marked change. No new developments took place, picketing being carried on by the strikers as on previous days.

Further incidents of the "tainted goods" movement occurred, however, in connection with the petrol stores of the Anglo-American and "Shell" Companies at the North Wall. Those stores still remain closed, but are guarded by soldiers. It is stated that the men in the yard refused to harness the horses to an oil waggon which was to be despatched to the South of Ireland, or to drive it to the extension of the Great Southern and Western Railway. The waggon was then driven by soldiers, who also loaded the petrol on the railway waggons. The railwaymen at first showed some disinclination to allow the petrol to proceed further, but withdrew their opposition on learning that the spirit was for military use. Some soldiers accompanied the train conveying the petrol to the South. Motor spirit was also delivered yesterday at a military barracks in Dublin, but beyond these supplies for military purposes no petrol left the yards.

The withholding of the petrol supplies is seriously interfering with commerce in the city, while the withdrawal of the "permits" issued by the strikers to members of the medical profession is also imposing hardships. Yesterday two suggestions were made as a solution of the latter difficulty. One was that private owners of cars should "pool" their available petrol for the use of the doctors, and the other was that the military should take possession of the petrol and issue it themselves.

One effect of the strike was witnessed at the Royal Irish Automobile Club yesterday, where the number of cars in the garage was much smaller than usual. It was stated that, owing to the impossibility of procuring petrol, there had been a great falling off in the number of members' cars at the club during the last few days.

PICKETING AT THE PORT.

Yesterday a special coastwise type of steamer, the s.s. Jolly Angler, finished a trip from London to Dublin with an extensive, but light, cargo of empty petrol cans for the Shell Marketing Company. The local dockers at the North Wall would have nothing to do with the unloading of the cans from the vessel, which was moved across the Alexandra Basin to the regular oil wharves, where other arrangements for her discharge were made.

Both the military and the Royal Irish Constabulary sent escorted vehicles down to the port yesterday to withdraw petrol for vehicles belonging to their respective forces.

Drapery goods landed from steamers are in some cases delayed in delivery, owing to the absence of commercial motor vehicles at the port, but much greater accumulation of inward consignments exist in regard to more substantial cargo received at both the North and South Walls, in some cases over a week ago, and still remaining unwithdrawn and undelivered consignees in the city and adjoining county districts.

STOLEN MOTOR VAN RECOVERED FROM THE LIFFEY.

The motor delivery van belonging to Messrs. Dawson and Sons, wholesale newsagents, Dublin, which was stolen from outside the premises of Messrs. Eason and Son, Great Brunswick street, Dublin, early last Thursday morning, was recovered yesterday. The driver of the van was forcibly removed from the vehicle by six men, some of whom drove off with it. The vehicle was discovered yesterday afternoon sunk in the River Liffey, off Sir John Rogerson's quay, and the Dublin Port and Docks Board diver went down in about 30 feet of water and mud and attached ropes to it, when it was hauled up by a crane. A large crowd assembled and watched the operation, which was superintended by members of the Dublin Metropolitan Police Force. It is stated that no arrests have been made in connection with the affair.

DARING HOLD-UP NEAR CASHEL.

On Tuesday near Killinure, about four miles from Cashel, when a motor car, belonging to a garage proprietor in Cashel, and driven by his chauffeur, was returning after having carried a passenger to his destination, a number of masked men jumped out on to the road about a hundred yards ahead of him. Two of them possessed revolvers, and they came on challenging the driver to stop the car. In the face of such a serious array, the chauffeur was obliged to bring the car to a stand-still. He was asked if he had a permit, and he replied in the affirmative. They demanded it, and retained it. He was told, at the point of the revolver, to turn his face to the wall, whilst they proceeded, as they stated, to "dismantle the motor." The coils from the sparking plug to the coil box were cut, as well as the four little boxes in the metal case. The engine was stopped and the switch key taken. The chauffeur had to travel to Cashel as best he could. He secured a bicycle in a farmer's house, and proceeded the rest of the journey by this means.

It is only a week ago that four masked men held up a bread vanman, a few miles from the scene of Tuesday's hold-up, and relieved him of the cash in his possession—about £4.

"WESTMEATH SPORTSMAN HELD UP."

Mr. James H. Locke, J.P., Kilbeggan, writes to us to state that the report of his being "help up" in his motor car, near Mullingar on Tuesday, is incorrect.

INDUSTRIAL COURT FOR DOCKERS.

The Minister of Labour received a deputation yesterday from the National Council of Port Labour Employers and the National Transport Workers' Federation, who jointly requested the appointment of a court of inquiry under the Industrial Courts Act into an application by the workmen for a standard minimum wage and other improvements in the conditions of dock employment. The Minister decided to appoint a court of inquiry consisting of an independent chairman, with four employers' representatives and four labour representatives. The Minister agreed, at the request of the parties, to include in these appointments three representatives of each party to the dispute suggested respectively by the Employers' Council and the Transport Workers' Federation. Terms of reference were settled, and it is hoped that the first meeting of the court will take place at an early date.

LORD ASTOR AND HOUSE RENTS.

Lord Astor, Parliamentary Secretary of the Ministry of Health, speaking in London last night, said that they were forced to the conclusion that initial rents for new rural cottages must be considerably higher than pre-war rents, and that the 3s. maximum fixed by the Agricultural Wages Board as maximum rents for tiled cottages would have to be reconsidered. The initial rent of from 7s. to 10s. for new rural houses was not unreasonable, but this did not mean that rents of old, small, or insanitary rural houses should rise to anything like that figure. Those initial rents should be substantially increased in about two or three years, and again in 1927.

IMPORTANCE OF THE EXCHANGE.

SIR GEORGE PAISH'S APPEAL TO AMERICA.

A Philadelphia telegram says that, speaking to the American Bankers' Association, many New York bankers being present, Sir George Paish appealed to Americans to prevent a breakdown in the exchanges, and to extend permanent credit to Europe, asserting that if a break-down and anarchy came, a large part of Europe would be starved. He suggested that credits should be organised, and the credits of the world pooled, adding that to re-start and re-stock Europe would take ten billion dollars, spread over the next few years.

UNITED STATES AND FOREIGN LOANS.

A decision, says Reuter's Washington Correspondent, has been made to call Mr. Glass, Secretary to the Treasury, before the Ways and Means Committee of the House of Representatives, probably on Wednesday, to discuss the funding of interest payments on foreign loans, the change in the revenue laws, and possible new loans for feeding Europe.—They wish to discuss with Mr. Glass the question whether Congress should enact legislation, giving the Secretary of the Treasury absolute discretion regarding the length of the period during which the collection of interest will be suspended, or whether a term of one or more years should be specified.

SPECIAL EXTRA.

POSITION OF THE IRISH POLICE.

In a leading article, the *Morning Post* says—It would be well for Ireland, and incidentally for themselves, if the British Government understood what is the fact, that public opinion in this country, whether Unionist or of the Home Rule complexion, agrees that, irrespective of political considerations, law and order must be established in Ireland, and Irish malefactors must be dealt with according to the rules of justice. As matters stand, Ireland is proclaimed under martial law, but we are unable to perceive that it is enforced. And if it is not enforced, we cannot believe that the laxity is due either to Field-Marshal Viscount French or to the Chief Secretary. It is now common knowledge that the whole of the Royal Irish Constabulary in the South and West are marked down for attack, and in suitable circumstances (that is, when the assailant incurs no risk) for death.

It would, therefore, be reasonable to suppose that this gallant and loyal force would be enforced and protected at every point by the Army. But, to all appearance, soldiers are not permitted to act until it is too late, when they mount an imposing guard over the ruins. The police force and the military force in Ireland are condemned to a defensive warfare, in which the aggressor has all the advantage, upon the principle laid down by Germany when she opened the submarine campaign, that while she was allowed to open fire, the British ship must not begin to defend herself until she had been torpedoed.

UNIONISTS AND HOME RULE.

General Henry Page Croft, M.P., in a letter to the *Morning Post*, writes:—What can be said of the Unionist members who, whilst they used to resist Home Rule when there was a doubt as to how Nationalist Ireland would behave, abandon all their principles when it is proposed to place Ireland in the power of declared Republicans? I am aware that some Unionist leaders have so deserted their principles that they are allowing themselves to float along the flood of opportunism and expediency, regardless of where that flood may end. But in this hour, of all others, when their prophetic utterance that they have ever delivered with regard to the possible action of Ireland in the time of Britain's need, has been fulfilled, and when they have proved right a thousand times, what possible excuse can they have for betraying considerably more than half the nation who gave them their confidence at the last election?

DARING RAID ON LONDON POST OFFICE.

The London *Daily Express* says:—An audacious hold-up by masked men was effected last evening at Camberwell New road, London. Shortly before eight, the closing hour, several men, with features hidden, suddenly entered the premises and stormed the staff, consisting of the postmistress and assistants. One man stood guard inside the door, while others rushed behind the counter, scrambled up Treasury notes and cash and fled. The postmistress pluckily tackled one man, who struck her heavily on the head. All the men escaped presumably in a motor car.

LORD GLENCONNER AND AMERICA.

The New York Correspondent of the *Daily Mail*, telegraphing on Wednesday, says:—Speaking at a dinner of the Sulgrave Society last night, Lord Glenconner said that he did not believe that "a hard and fast legal contract in the nature of a League of Nations" between Great Britain and the United States was necessary, unless "we are suspicious of each other." When Lord Glenconner asked whether formal agreements were necessary between two friends, seven guests, including Senator James M. Beck and Mr. Samuel Gompers, jumped to their feet and cried "No, no."

ALLIED DEBT TO THE UNITED STATES.

The *Daily Mail* New York Correspondent, telegraphing on Wednesday, says—There is every indication to-day that the Ways and Means Committee of the House of Representatives will agree to the funding of the interest on the obligations of the Allies, amounting to £95,000,000 a year.

CHINA'S COSTLY ARMIES.

A *Times* telegram, per the Press Association, copyright, dated Peking, January 1 (delayed), states:—China ought to have come out of the war infinitely better off than she went in, but unhappily the political struggle involving the maintenance of large military forces has nullified the good results that would otherwise have accrued. The useless hordes of soldiers have eaten up the revenues, and the Treasury is as empty as before. The pay of the great bulk of the troops is still many months in arrears, and, of course, until the troops are paid and disbanded they will always constitute a danger. Disbandment is the principal problem of the day, and is being tinkered with by the Government with small practical results, for the reason that the personages possessing armies will not sacrifice power by reducing them. It is a remarkable feature of this country that, whereas the demands of the commercial classes is all engaged in business, the only free money is in the hands of a few powerful military men and officials, as shown by their heavy investments in banking and other enterprises. Herein lies the true explanation of the continued political chaos prevailing in China. The men in power are getting fabulously rich through it, and have no desire for a settlement which would reduce, if not end, their opportunities.

RACING SELECTIONS.

GATWICK MEETING.

(FROM THE SPORTING LIFE OF TO-DAY.)

Amateur Riders' Steeplechase—King's Caret.
Caterham Hurdle—Flaming Fir.
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Amateur Riders' Steeplechase—Cresley or The Lord.
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Reigate Hurdle—Gore's selected or Ahanesk.
Crawley Steeplechase—Geral L.
Maiden Hurdle—Royal Diamond; if absent, Malrob.

MR. O'GRADY'S MISSION.

AN AGREEMENT POSSIBLE.

A Copenhagen telegram, dated Tuesday, says:—Interviewed to-day by Reuter's correspondent, Mr. O'Grady said that he expected to resume his sittings with M. Litvinoff to-morrow. His visit to England has so far cleared the situation that there only remain difficulties on two points. If Soviet Russia genuinely desires an agreement it should be settled within a fortnight, and a definite compact signed. Machinery will then be set up and entrusted with the carrying out of the agreement. If successful in regard to the British prisoners, Mr. O'Grady will then act on behalf of France and the other nationals, but this would raise few obstacles, the principles having once been established. It would be possible, Mr. O'Grady thinks, to get the British wounded away within ten days. Meanwhile the first consignment of supplies will be despatched to British subjects in Russia, *via* Finland, by

TEMPERANCE REFORM.

REV. HENRY CARTER IN DUBLIN.

NEW LEGISLATION IN COMING SESSION.

PROPOSED NATIONAL LIQUOR COMMISSION.

The Rev. Henry Carter, a member of the Liquor Control Board, and also one of the principal members of the Temperance Council of the Christian Churches of England and Wales, is at present on a visit to Dublin, and yesterday he fulfilled a number of engagements in the city in regard to the question of urging temperance reform. The purpose of Mr. Carter's visit is primarily to meet temperance leaders in Dublin with a view to ascertaining from them the exact position in which the temperance question is, so far as it relates to this country, and to explain to them the steps taken and the progress made in England in regard to the matter.

THE DUBLIN DISPUTE.

Mr. Carter expressed some views yesterday to several Press representatives who lunched with him and other gentlemen at the Central Hotel, Exchequer street. He prefaced his remarks by saying that he was very much interested at being in Dublin at a time when what he regarded as a novel strike obtained in the city. He had never heard before, he said, of a strike of bar employés, and he was anxious to get at the facts of the dispute he had that morning visited the headquarters of the two parties concerned—the offices of the Licensed Vintners' and Grocers' Association, where officials he had seen, and the offices of the Strikers' Committee in Rutland square, whom he had also talked with. The dispute, as he saw it, was partly as to wages, and on that point he would rather not say anything, as one wanted to know the standard cost of living in order to see whether the wages were adequate or not. On the question of hours he would speak more definitely. The men's claim was for a 50-hours' week, and for a reduction in Sunday labour. He understood that originally they claimed entire Sunday closing, but that they were now willing to compromise somewhat on that point. "I believe," he said, "that every man ought to have his Sunday free, if that is possible. It is good for the worker and good for the public. I believe that is a good, honest, and useful claim, and am only sorry that the men saw it necessary to modify it. As to the 50-hours' working week, there has been a great deal done in Great Britain to lessen the hours for the sale of drink, and that, of course, has gradually lessened the hours during which the employés in the drink trade had to work. Prior to the war the hours for the sale of drink were 19½ hours in London, 17 in the great cities like Manchester, and 16 in the small villages. Under the Liquor Control Board they were reduced to 6½ per day, and the result has been a very great improvement in sobriety, and a general spirit of content amongst the employés of the liquor trade. A very large body of publicans, and a very large body of publichouse employés, now strenuously oppose a reversion to pre-war hours of sale. The English experience would, therefore, go to strengthen the claim of the men. The claim for a shorter working day in the publichouse ultimately, of course, means a step not only towards an improvement in labour conditions, but towards an improvement in public sobriety."

EFFECTIVE RESULTS.

Mr. Carter went on to refer to the war time experiences of Great Britain in dealing with the liquor question, and explained how in 1915 Mr. Lloyd George established the Liquor Control Board, which he (Mr. Carter) joined in a non-remunerative capacity as a Private Member. The work of the Board was to control the drink traffic so as to secure a successful prosecution of the war. It did this first of all by greatly reducing the hours for the sale of drink, and it also reduced the strength of the spirits by about half. It prohibited the sale of liquor on credit. It made all its restrictions with regard to the hours of sale, the conditions of sale, and those as to the strength of spirits applied to clubs, hotels, and licensed grocers, as well as to public-houses. It established industrial canteens in over 300 munition works and in areas where meals were served at reasonable prices for the workers. The object in its purpose was to see that the workers were well fed, because the well-fed man was far less likely to become an intemperate man than the underfed man. In four areas the Control Board, for national reasons, bought out the whole of the liquor trade. Carlisle was the best-known example. In these State-purchased areas the number of licensed premises was greatly reduced, all grocers' licences were abolished, and the remaining public-houses were equipped for the sale of food as well as the sale of drink. Sunday closing was also established. As the result of the various works were advanced, the sobriety in Carlisle and other State-purchased areas very greatly increased.

"We have come to the time," he said, "when the work of the Board is practically done. The Act of Parliament which established it laid it down that it should not continue its work for more than a year after the termination of the war. The burning question in England now is what new legislation is going to take the place of the Liquor Control Board."

FORTHCOMING LEGISLATION.

The rev. gentleman then referred to the result of a deputation that waited on Mr. Lloyd George in regard to this question on 20th November, when the Prime Minister outlined the legislation which the Government would attempt. "In said," proceeded Mr. Carter, "they proposed to continue the system of State control of the liquor traffic; they intended to appoint National Liquor Commissions for England, Scotland, and Wales. He did not expressly mention Ireland, but, in my own judgment, it would be quite possible for Irish citizens to make a claim that the policy of a National Liquor Commission should be applied to Ireland also. Mr. Lloyd George said that these Liquor Commissions would be given power to appoint the hours for the sale of drink in the different countries, and to exercise general powers of control for the sale of liquor. He hoped that they would be able to reduce the greatly excessive number of licensed houses. They would also be charged with authority to investigate the effects with regard to alcoholism, scientifically and otherwise. If they found in any locality further steps were necessary than those which they had power to take, the Commissions would be expected to prepare recommendations with regard to such localities, and present them to the Government and to Parliament. In that way the Commissions would become a constant instrument of reform. I should add that we are anticipating the introduction of this Licensing Reform Bill early in the new session of Parliament. The bill will be in charge of Mr. Fisher, Minister of Education."

Mr. Carter next gave his views on the question of prohibition in America, and said that the people in the United Kingdom ought to see what was happening in the United States without prejudice. He detailed how the movement was being supported, and said that he came away from America, where he had been on a visit, with the conviction that the average American opinion was going to give a fair trial to the prohibition law. He confidently expected that it would be the permanent policy of the great Republic, and that very beneficial effects in industry and social life would follow.

CONFERENCE IN MILLS'S HALL.

At five o'clock a conference, to which persons interested in temperance work in the various Churches had been invited, was held in Mills's Hall, Merrion row. After tea, the chair was taken by Mr. Dix, solicitor, and subsequently by Mr. R. W. Booth, J.P.

The Chairman, in introducing Mr. Carter, gave some interesting details of the very important work done by the latter in the direction of organisation, writing, speaking, and investigation in connection with temperance and social problems.

Mr. Carter gave an instructive account of the movement in England and Wales, which had, he said, resulted in the co-operation of all the Churches and religious bodies, Anglican, Roman Catholic, and Free Church, in support of the "Nine Points" programme, and also in the establishment of the Temperance Council of the Christian Churches. He referred to the deputation from this body which had waited on the Prime Minister in November in relation to the forthcoming Licensing Bill.

An interesting discussion followed, in the course of which Mr. Carter replied to various questions put to him.

PUBLIC MEETING.

A public meeting, which was addressed by Rev. Mr. Carter, was held in George's Hall, South Great George's street, Dublin, last evening. Mr. R. A. Booth, J.P., presided, and there was a very large attendance.

Rev. Mr. Carter, in the course of his address, dealt with the work done by the Central Liquor Board, which was created in the early years of the war, and alluded to the new legislation which it was proposed by the Government, on the initiative of Mr. Lloyd George, to introduce in the next session of Parliament, under which National Liquor Commissions would be set up in Great Britain to deal with the control of the liquor traffic. The introduction of the Liquor Board, he said, had resulted, so far as the great manufacturing districts in England, Scotland, and Wales were concerned, in sobriety being greatly enhanced. In the last two years of the Board's work they scarcely received a complaint that drink was delaying Government contracts. In the earlier years of the war that was a constant complaint. Under the constructive work performed by the Board there had been a steady improvement in sobriety, which practically meant that long before the end of the war came the drink difficulty, as regards the output of munitions and their transport, and as regards the general efficiency of the troops, had been brought down to very narrow dimensions. He next dealt with how this work was accomplished, and said that as regards the restrictions secured by the Board these included the shortening of hours for the sale of drink and a reduction in the strength of spirits. This shortening of hours had been a great gain to England. Employers of labour testified that the shortening of hours had lessened the broken time formerly obtaining at the works. Social workers familiar with the domestic conditions of the great working-class areas also testified that family happiness had been greatly increased as family sobriety had increased, and family sobriety had vastly increased where and when the hours were reduced. If their Dublin barmen were asking for shorter hours, he had simply to say that, as far as English experience went, they were not asking for something to their own advantage solely, but something also in the public interest. It was obvious if they got shorter hours for labour for public-house employés, before long they must have shorter hours for the sale of drink. If they won the fight, they did so not alone for shorter hours, but for national temperance. The speaker went on to deal with the constructive part of the Liquor Board's work, and mentioned that some 840 canteens had been established through the country where the workers were able to get substantial meals at reasonable prices. State purchase of licensed premises had been carried out in four areas in England. One of these areas included Carlisle, where four breweries had been acquired, as also 200 licensed premises. Of the public-houses existing in Carlisle in 1916, 45 per cent. had been permanently closed. Carlisle to-day, he declared, was one of the most sober cities in Great Britain. (Applause.) The question for Irish citizens to consider was whether, in their judgment, the time was ripe and the opportunity was really open for them to say to the Government: "We want the same type of control over the liquor traffic here in the public interests, and that is the claim which we make." It was not for him to judge that; it was for them to consider it, and he left it to their judgment and for their consideration to-day and in the future. (Applause.)

The Chairman, on behalf of those present, tendered thanks to Mr. Carter for his address, and said that, as women had now the vote, he looked forward to their exercising their vote on public questions of this sort.

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IRISH LABOUR TROUBLES.

VINTNERS' ASSISTANTS' DISPUTE.

The strike of assistants employed in licensed grocers' and vintners' establishments in Dublin was continued yesterday. Many of the shops which remain open were picketed by the strikers, who endeavoured to persuade prospective customers from entering.

VINTNERS' PICKET CHARGED.

Before Mr. Swifte, K.C., in the Southern Police Court yesterday, Edward Ryan was charged with being guilty of threatening behaviour. It was stated that accused was a vintner's assistant on strike, and was acting as a picket outside Messrs. Sheridan's licensed premises in Rutland road. A carman named Lee said that defendant was at the door of the premises when witness went to enter. Accused threatened him with a stick and abused him. Witness went into the house, and on coming out again the accused threatened him with his fists. An assistant in the shop said that he heard an altercation between 12 and 1 o'clock. The matter was reported to the Kilmainham Police Station, and Inspector Kelleher went to the premises, where he saw accused, who denied using threats.

The magistrate bound defendant over in the sum of £10, or a month's imprisonment.

CHEMISTS' ASSISTANTS' STRIKE.

So far there has been no alteration in the situation created in Dublin by the strike of chemists' assistants. Many of the city medical halls remain open, and are "carrying on" as well as circumstances permit. Outside these shops pickets of the men on strike parade to and fro, carrying placards and distributing handbills.

COUNTY DUBLIN AGRICULTURAL LABOURERS' CLAIM.

The County Dublin District Wages Committee held their second meeting at the offices of the Agricultural Wages Board for Ireland, 14 St. Stephen's Green, Dublin, on 6th inst. There were present:—Mr. Thomas Clarke, J.P., Monkstown (Chairman); Mr. J. J. Lawlor, J.P., Clondalkin; Mr. P. J. Kettle, J.P., Swords; Mr. L. Roe, Killerman; Mr. J. Fitzsimons, Baldoyle; Mr. T. Nolan and Mr. P. McCabe, Irish Transport and General Workers' Union, Liberty Hall, Dublin; Mr. G. O'Driscoll, Blanchardstown; Mr. P. Carr, Balbriggan; and Mr. H. Mullen (Secretary).

The Committee had under consideration the fixing of minimum rates of wages for workers employed in agriculture in County Dublin (including the County Borough of Dublin), this matter having been adjourned from their last meeting held on 8th December last.

PORT AND DOCKS BOARD LABOURERS' WAGES.

The labourers employed in the service of the Port and Docks Board are making application for an addition to their present wages owing to the increased cost of living. About one hundred men employed at and around the port are understood to be concerned in the present application, which will come under the attention of the Board at their next meeting.

BELFAST IRONMOULDERS REJECT SETTLEMENT.

The Belfast ironmoulders yesterday afternoon balloted on the terms suggested by the Employers' Federation with the following result:—Majority in favour, 287, against 517; majority against 270. The foremakers unanimously decided to accept the terms offered.

BELFAST "PEARL" AGENTS AGAINST STRIKE.

The Pearl Assurance Company last night received a telegram from Belfast stating that their agents in that city have passed a resolution against the strike, and declaring that the rest of Ireland will "follow suit."

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BETTER OCEAN FACILITIES.

Conditions for ocean travellers are apparently becoming more normal. After a period of some three years, during which all the berths on the Canadian-Australasian steamers from Vancouver to New Zealand and Australia were booked months ahead, the European head office of the Canadian Pacific Railway, in sending to their agents the latest list of sailings, state that there is now ample accommodation available on these steamers for passengers.

STEAMSHIP SERVICE BETWEEN DUBLIN AND FRANCE.

The Dublin Chamber of Commerce has been advised by Messrs. Leopold Walford Transports, Ltd., 9 Queen's square, Belfast, that their steamer, The Jolly Kate, will be loading at Belfast about the 15th of January for Dunkirk, and that they are prepared to send their steamer to Dublin, provided sufficient inducement is offered. Those firms desirous of shipping goods direct to France by this steamer should communicate immediately with the above firm.

SOCIETY OF INCORPORATED ACCOUNTANTS AND AUDITORS.

The result of the recent examinations of the Society of Incorporated Accountants and Auditors shows the following Irish successes:—

Final.—Aldridge, Samuel, Belfast; Baird, Samuel, Belfast; Dixon, Samuel William, Dublin; Erskine, Robert Todd, Belfast; Malcolm, James, Belfast; Meares, Charles Albert, Belfast; O'Leary, Joseph Richard, Cork.

Intermediate.—McAdam, Alexander, Portadown; McMullan, Thomas Alexander, Belfast.

Preliminary.—Crossley, Samuel Davison, Belfast; Logan, Frederick St. Clair, Belfast.

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STATE OF IRELAND.

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cycling, and contained such queries as—"How many despatch riders have you? Are the enemy watching despatch riders in your district? If so, how can you evade them? Can you use telephone and signalling? How many motor bikes and motor cars are at your disposal?" Mr. Gleeson added that in the light of present-day events the latter portion of this document was most suspicious.

The defendants were asked to give an undertaking that they would not offend again, but they refused.

Fahy was sentenced to one month's hard labour and bound to the peace for a year in £40, or, in default, two months. The other three were bound to the peace for a year in £40, or, in default, two months.

Defendants were removed under heavy escort.

POLICE RAID AT YOUGHAL.

A number of police under Head Constable Ruddock raided the Youghal Sinn Fein band room on Tuesday, but it is said that nothing of an incriminating nature was found. Several members of the club were on the premises at the time.

FARMERS' CONDEMNATION OF IRISH OUTRAGES.

A largely attended meeting of the Edgeworthstown District Farmers' Association was held in the Courthouse, Edgeworthstown, on Tuesday, Mr. Thomas Hanly, D.C., in the chair. On the motion of Mr. W. Green, Lisnagrish, seconded by Mr. F. Phillips, Corboy, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:—"That this meeting of the Edgeworthstown Farmers' Association condemns in the strongest possible terms the wanton and senseless outrages that are being perpetrated over a large part of the country, and especially in the recent one in this hitherto peaceful district, as in the opinion of the meeting such disgraceful actions only bring the general and peaceable body of citizens into disrepute, and are a serious burden on the local rates. We are also of the opinion that all members of the community, irrespective of politics, should do everything in their power to bring the perpetrators of any such outrages to justice."

BLACKROCK AND MR. DILLON'S LETTER.

NO CONDEMNATION OF ASSASSINATION.

At the Blackrock Urban Council meeting last night—Mr. J. P. McCabe, J.P., Chairman, presiding—a letter from Mr. John Dillon, which has already appeared in the Press, was read. The letter was in reply to a resolution of the Council calling on Mr. Dillon to reorganise the Irish Nationalists on constitutional lines.

Mr. Thomas Murphy protested against the letter being read. "It's his last kick," he said. "The heart of Ireland is set on self-determination, and not on running to Westminster."

The Chairman said that the letter was a most important one, and had attracted the attention of the British Press, because it showed who was responsible for the present state of unrest in Ireland. Mr. Murphy, who has thrown in his lot with a party which did not select him, had got the greatest kick a man ever got.

Mr. Murphy said that he never begged the ratepayers to keep him up, or cadged anyone to get a position.

Lady Dockrell—This is the fruit of bringing politics into the Council.

Mr. Murphy said that there was nothing about passing a resolution condemning the crime in the Park last week. Every Council in Ireland should demand a sworn inquiry into it.

The proposition of Mr. Field, seconded by Mr. Healy, to write and protest Mr. Dillon's letter on the minutes.

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The decorating of the Royal National Hospital, Newcastle, County Wicklow, was beautifully carried out by the patients and staff (Dr. Kennelly) and her willing staff, and presented a very festive appearance on Christmas Day. After a substantial dinner, the staff and patients passed a very enjoyable evening dancing and singing. New Year's Day brought forth similar pleasures, the company being augmented by all those patients who spent Christmas at their own homes. Towards the conclusion of the entertainment, the resident medical officer (Dr. Hanan), decked in the robes of Father Christmas, and bearing a Christmas tree, presented presents to all the patients. Great praise is due to the doctors, matron, and staff, who worked so hard to make Christmas and New Year's Day so enjoyable for all the inmates.

BETTER OCEAN FACILITIES.

Conditions for ocean travellers are apparently becoming more normal. After a period of some three years, during which all the berths on the Canadian-Australasian steamers from Vancouver to New Zealand and Australia were booked months ahead, the European head office of the Canadian Pacific Railway, in sending to their agents the latest list of sailings, state that there is now ample accommodation available on these steamers for passengers.

STEAMSHIP SERVICE BETWEEN DUBLIN AND FRANCE.

The Dublin Chamber of Commerce has been advised by Messrs. Leopold Walford Transports, Ltd., 9 Queen's square, Belfast, that their steamer, The Jolly Kate, will be loading at Belfast about the 15th of January for Dunkirk, and that they are prepared to send their steamer to Dublin, provided sufficient inducement is offered. Those firms desirous of shipping goods direct to France by this steamer should communicate immediately with the above firm.

SOCIETY OF INCORPORATED ACCOUNTANTS AND AUDITORS.

The result of the recent examinations of the Society of Incorporated Accountants and Auditors shows the following Irish successes:—

Final.—Aldridge, Samuel, Belfast; Baird, Samuel, Belfast; Dixon, Samuel William, Dublin; Erskine, Robert Todd, Belfast; Malcolm, James, Belfast; Meares, Charles Albert, Belfast; O'Leary, Joseph Richard, Cork.

Intermediate.—McAdam, Alexander, Portadown; McMullan, Thomas Alexander, Belfast.

Preliminary.—Crossley, Samuel Davison, Belfast; Logan, Frederick St. Clair, Belfast.

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IRISH EDUCATION BILL.

DERRY COLLEGE HEADMASTER'S VIEWS.

At the annual distribution of prizes in connection with Foyle College, Londonderry, on Tuesday afternoon, Mr. F. Dill, M.A., Headmaster, said that during the past year hopes were raised high by the introduction of the Irish Education Bill. It would be a mistake to suppose that this bill was an English product imported into Ireland. English and Scottish skill and experience had undoubtedly been enlisted in drafting the measure, and very properly so, but the basis of the bill was laid by two Viceregal Committees, composed of men who thoroughly understood Irish education and Irish wants. The conditions of life for teachers were already much easier in England and the Colonies than they were in Ireland. It was not, therefore, to be wondered at if many who might have joined them in Ireland were leaving, and that they were getting few suitable recruits. He would not dwell upon the financial straits in which many schools must find themselves placed during these last few years. Far reaching reforms had been made in England and Scotland in which they also had no share. They could not afford to be left behind. He did not think that they had deserved it. All countries now acknowledged the importance of education, but, if anything, it was more important in Ireland than elsewhere, because, in the comparative scarcity of native industries and home careers this was the chief equipment with which so many young people had to be sent out to face the world. He remembered counting in one football photograph ten out of fifteen who had become students of medicine, and probably not more than one or two would ultimately practise in Ireland. But there was no need to labour the point that, to an especial degree, boys in Ulster owed their start in life to school or college, and it was, therefore, of supreme importance not merely to teachers, but to all inhabitants of the province, that this, or a similar bill, should be immediately passed into law. (Applause.)

Rev. Dr. James McGranahan, ex-Moderator of the General Assembly, proposed the following resolution:—"That this meeting would respectfully urge upon the Government the desirability of passing the Irish Education Bill into law as soon as possible. He said that it was very much to the credit of Mr. Macpherson that he took up the question so earnestly, and constructed a bill of which most people in Ireland who were interested in the matter approved. Education meant so much to our social, national and political life that nothing should be left undone, and no effort should be spared to make it very effective and efficient. The University spirit was intolerant of anything that would put the human mind under restraint, and it seemed to him that the Education Bill was intended to a large extent to allow the people a little more liberty in regard to educational affairs.

Captain Glen, a member of the Foyle College teaching staff, in seconding the resolution, described the bill as the Magna Charta of Irish schoolmasters.

The resolution was unanimously passed.

ROMAN CATHOLIC BISHOP'S OPPOSITION.

"PROTESTANT FOUNDATION FOR CATHOLIC EDUCATION."

Addressing the congregation in Mullingar Cathedral on Wednesday, the Most Rev. Dr. Gaughran, Roman Catholic Bishop of Meath, referring to the Irish Education Bill, said that he hoped it would never be revived and never become law. If it did become law, he would ask the people to keep their guard, to do their duty to their children, and look to their faith first. If they did that he could leave the rest confidently in their hands. If the Education Bill came, there was a proposal on foot to have Irish Catholics would be reared on a Protestant foundation. If the devil could succeed in getting secular education into Ireland his task in assailing the faith of the people would be made lighter. A Protestant foundation would bear the edifice of Irish Catholic education under the new bill. The structure would rest on three men—the Chief Secretary for Ireland and his Vice-President of the Department of Agriculture, and a third man, about whom no one knew anything, and who, for the matter of that, might be a pagan. They would have the education of their children for the Catholics then resting on two Scotchmen, Protestants, and a third who might be a pagan, for all anyone knew about him. Whatever these three said—unless it were one-third by the Lord Lieutenant, who was also a Protestant—would be law. On this foundation it was proposed to rest the education of Irish Catholics.

CHRISTMAS AT SEA ON THE SS. ADRIATIC.

On Christmas Eve the passengers on the Adriatic went around caroling, and others danced merrily to the gramophone. On Christmas morning seasonable greetings were heard on every hand. The saloon was beautifully decorated with woolly letters, holly, mistletoe, and flowers. Of the many international flags displayed on the ship's rigging, the most striking was the Canadian Victory Loan one and the special Union Jack, the exclusive property of the Adriatic, to commemorate the ship's record subscription to the Loan of over £70,000 while in Halifax a short time ago. At 11 o'clock passengers assembled in the lounge on Christmas morning, where Divine Service was conducted by Dr. Beamont, the Adriatic's surgeon, and grand old Christmas hymns were sung enthusiastically. Captain "Gipsy Pat," of the Northumberland Fusiliers, gave a short sermon on the text, "Unto you is born a Saviour." The simple and eloquent remarks of this young evangelist will not be soon forgotten. He gave a brief sketch of his life, how in a grim trench somewhere, at the age of sixteen, he gave his life to Christian work. He joined up as a private in the war, preached when he was not fighting—a soldier of Christ as well as of his King.

Christmas afternoon was the children's matinée, bonny girls and sturdy boys displaying their gifts from Santa Claus, noisy, playful, and excited. Few were absent from the Christmas dinner, where good things were on our plates in turn. At 9 p.m. the bugles rang out for the grand concert. Sir Horace Plunkett took the chair. Mary Marsh Allen, the "Movie Queen," sang delightfully. Mr. Howard Lang, fresh from successes at the Haymarket Theatre, gave negro stories in dialect. Then came Vincent Sullivan, of "Lilac Domino" fame, with songs in Italian from "La Bohème," etc. Last, but not least, came Maggie Teyte, of grand opera fame. A few remarks by the genial and kindly Chairman and the National Anthem closed an exceedingly happy day.

RATHDOWN UNION FINANCE.

THE INCREASED ESTIMATE.

Mr. Thomas Clarke, J.P., Chairman, presided at Rathdown Guardians yesterday, when the Clerk (Mr. Cumniam) submitted the annual estimate, which amounted to £33,340, being £2,870 increase over last year's. The increase was owing to the higher cost of food, clothing, necessaries, and outdoor relief. The increase would amount to 2½d. in the £ on the rates.

Mr. McGowan, J.P., said that when ratepayers received a demand for 4s. poor rate, they believed that all that was devoted to the upkeep of the Union.

The Clerk said that the poor rate was made up of charges other than the maintenance of the Union, such as county charges for the upkeep of roads, etc. The Union rate would be about 1s. 6d. in the £.

The estimate was adopted.

THE LATE MR. W. A. RAFFERTY.

On the motion of the Chairman, seconded by Mr. McGowan, J.P., a resolution of sympathy was passed with Miss Rafferty on the death of her brother, Mr. W. A. Rafferty, J.P., Coroner for South Dublin.

THE PEMBROKE TOWNSHIP ELECTIONS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

Sir,—I want to warn the Nationalist and Unionist electors in Pembroke Township that, under the proportional representation system, voting for one political creed only will inevitably result in handing over control of Pembroke District Council to the Sinn Feiners, candidates who are being run by the two constitutional parties number eleven, while there are fifteen seats. By mutual support, virtually the whole eleven candidates can be returned, but electors of either party, by plumping for their own favourites only, will automically support Sinn Feign candidates against their own candidates.

The present Council, comprising nine Nationalists and six Unionists, appears to carry on its business very smoothly and satisfactorily. Consequently, I would urge every Unionist and Nationalist elector in the two wards to vote for every candidate put forward by the two parties, and for them only. By so doing they will best protect their own interests and defeat those whose aims and methods are anathema.—Yours, etc.,

"EAST WARD."

January 7th, 1920.

BANK OF IRELAND MALE CLERKSHIPS.

At the last 14 examinations pupils of Roses Colleges, Stephen's Green, Dublin, gained 180 appointments, with First Places on 9 occasions.—(Advt.)

BUILDING MATERIALS.

IRISH RESOURCES AND REQUIREMENTS.

The Joint Committee of the Royal Institute of Architects and the Dublin Industrial Development Association have issued the following interim report for 1919:—

During the past year this Committee held five meetings. The Committee regret to say that they are unable to report any practical advance in promoting the use of native materials, or evidence of any encouragement to produce in Ireland materials used in the building and kindred industries.

In their previous interim reports, the Committee deal with the subjects of the establishment of a permanent exhibit of Irish building materials, the stone quarrying industry, the manufacture of cement, and other matters. In their desire to assist in promoting Irish industrial development, the Committee permitted themselves to depart somewhat from the original terms of reference, which were merely to consider and report on these matters. This long delay which has occurred in formulating a final report is due to this cause. The Committee represented to the Department the desirability of arranging the space allotted to the building materials exhibit so that it should be self-contained and separate from other exhibits of a different kind, so as to attract exhibitors and satisfy them that their work would be shown to advantage. During the past year the exhibit has remained in a moribund state in the National Museum, and no responsible museum official has ever been placed in charge of it. As it now exists, it is of little or no value in promoting the greater use of native materials.

ATTITUDE OF THE DEPARTMENT.

In connection with the exhibit in the National Museum, so far back as May 21st, 1917, the Committee propounded to the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction a series of questions in relation to the development of Irish material and manufactures, upon the answers to which the success of the exhibition largely depended, to these no definite replies have as yet reached the Committee. In view of the attitude of the Department and the Treasury, and other unwillingness to actively encourage Irish building industries, the Committee have very reluctantly arrived at the conclusion that it is impossible at the present time to pursue further this subject, to which they have devoted a very large amount of time and consideration. The Committee are the more pained at this result, in that there was never a time when there was a greater demand for Irish building materials.

POINTS FOR CHIEF SECRETARY.

During the latter end of 1918, the Committee had arranged with the then Chief Secretary—Mr. Edward Shortt—that a deputation should wait upon him and put before him their views in relation to the advancement of Irish industries, etc. On the resignation of Mr. Shortt, his successor, Mr. Macpherson, was approached, but declined to receive the deputation, on the grounds that the matter had already been considered by the Local Government Board. The Committee were informed that Sir James Carmichael's Committee would visit Ireland, and take oral evidence in relation to building materials, but, so far as they were aware, this visit has not yet materialised. The points which the Committee desired to urge upon the Chief Secretary's attention were:—

1. The necessity of Irish evidence being taken by an Irish Committee.

2. The essential difference between "reconstructing" and creating and stimulating industries. In Ireland the creation of industries is necessary.

3. To complain of the delay in the formulation of a reconstruction scheme for Ireland, the English Building Materials Committee having been appointed so far back as November, 1917.

4. To press for the allocation of a fair share of building materials not produced in Ireland, and to urge the necessity for encouraging the manufacture of cement, bricks, fire-clay goods, etc., in this country. Since the early part of the present year nothing has been heard on these matters. The failure to encourage manufactures in Ireland has contributed to the present high cost of building. Such things as cement, steel, etc., are very much dearer in Dublin than in London, and, as a consequent result, the housing of the people has become a more difficult problem.

SCARCITY OF MATERIALS.

The Committee made representations in reference to the serious scarcity of certain classes of building materials, but the Local Government Board in reply, dated 31st March, 1919, stated that they saw no ground for believing there would be any shortage.

The Committee had subsequently before them a request from the Local Government Board for detailed information as to building materials available in connection with housing. The Committee were unable to add anything to their various detailed reports previously formulated, and which dealt with such matters as stone, slates, cement, etc.

At their last meeting it was reported to the Committee that there was a prospect of a French syndicate investing money in the establishment of a Portland cement industry in Ireland. The Committee cordially welcomed the proposal, and placed at the disposal of the promoters any information in their possession.

The Committee are of opinion that the time has now come for them to conclude their labours with the issue of a final report, which they hope to make early in the new year, referring to a time in which happier conditions may prevail for the resumption of those labours upon which they were engaged for the past three years.

THE CHURCH OF IRELAND.

The Rev. F. W. N. Shirley, Rector of Glynn, Larne, has been appointed Rector of St. James's Parish, Antrim road, Belfast, in succession to the Very Rev. T. G. G. Collins, B.D., recently appointed Dean of Belfast. Rev. Mr. Shirley graduated in Trinity College, Dublin, obtaining the B.A. degree in 1894, and B.D. in 1909. He also secured Bishop Forster's Prize (First Class). He was ordained in 1894 for the curacy of Ballymacarrett, Belfast, and later was appointed curate of St. George's, Belfast. He was subsequently curate of Crumlin Glynn, Larne, but returned to Ireland in 1903 as curate of Clonbroney, in the diocese of Ardagh. In 1909 he was appointed Minor Canon of Down Cathedral.

ST. ANN'S MISSIONARY SERVICE.

The usual Service of Intercession on behalf of foreign missions will be held in St. Ann's Church to-day, beginning at 11.15 a.m. with the Missionary Liturgy, followed by a celebration of the Holy Communion at 11.30.

PROTESTANT ORPHAN SOCIETY.

The monthly meeting of the Committee of the Protestant Orphan Society was held in the boardroom, 28 Molesworth street, Dublin, on Friday last, Mr. Edward Robinson in the chair. Present: Rev. Canon J. G. F. Day, M.A.; Revs. F. H. W. Archbold, M.A.; A. W. Ardagh, M.A.; W. M. Gibbon, M.A.; J. Haythornthwaite, M.A.; H. W. B. Thompson, B.D.; E. J. Young, B.D.; Sir Ralph R. Benson, Colonel G. C. Dobbs, Messrs. G. W. Marsh and Ninian C. Niven.

The monthly statement was submitted and approved, and cheques were drawn for the various payments contained therein. There were eight applications for election. Five were elected, and three cases postponed.

THE EVANGELICAL ALLIANCE.

The meetings of the Annual Week of Prayer were continued yesterday in the Mission Buildings, Townsend street, Dublin. The special speaker in the afternoon was the Rev. Lindsay H. Cullen, who took as his subject, "Nations and Their Rulers." He pointed out how many countries there were at present which had no settled rule, anarchy reigned, and no man could foresee what lay ahead. The speaker pointed out the necessity for world-wide peace and righteousness. One country could not do without another; it was, therefore, the duty of Christian people to pray

FOYLE COLLEGE, LONDONDERRY.

DISTRIBUTION OF PRIZES.

YEAR'S SATISFACTORY RECORD.

The annual distribution of prizes in connection with Foyle College, Londonderry, took place in the Union Hall on Tuesday afternoon, when Professor Leebody, M.A., D.Sc., President of the Faculty, McCrea-Magee College, and Deputy Chairman of the Board of Governors of Foyle College, presided, and was accompanied on the platform by Right Rev. Dr. Peacocke, Bishop of Derry and Raphoe; the Honour Judge Osborne, Recorder of Londonderry, and Mr. R. F. Dill, M.A., Headmaster. There was a large attendance of the parents of the pupils and friends of the school.

The Chairman said that everything connected with the school was characterised by efficiency and prosperity. It was a great gratification to him that the prizes were to be distributed by a former pupil of the school, His Honour Judge Osborne, whom he had known since childhood. (Applause.) The evidences of the school's present high position were numerous. He would only refer to one of them—the remarkable examination successes of its pupils during the past year. (Applause.) If anyone, however, was disposed to arrange schools in order of merit in accordance with the number of successes obtained, Foyle College would take rank with the best of them. (Applause.) Pointing to the fact that for about £1 of school fees paid to Foyle College the Governors expended close on £3 on the upkeep of the school, Professor Leebody forecasted an increase in the school fees.

Mr. R. F. Dill, M.A., headmaster of the College, in his annual report, stated that at the Intermediate examinations the school pupils were awarded ten exhibitions, nine general prizes, seven composition prizes, and three medals. The same candidates qualified for five exhibitions and eleven prizes in other groups. This made a total of 29 actual awards and 45 distinctions, all told. (Applause.) Every department was fairly represented. As regards Classical studies, in spite of adverse views recently brought forward, Foyle College still kept the flag flying. It was here that they were furnished with one of the most powerful arguments for the immediate passing into law of the Irish Education Bill. Turning again to their list of honours, it was pleasing to note the continued success of the large contingent of old Foyle boys at present attending Trinity College, Dublin. Among five who were recorded as having graduated occurred the name of Capt. J. Boyd Irwin, M.C. Two gained scholarships—R. W. Steele in Classics, and W. McC. Stewart in modern languages. (Applause.) Four boys on leaving school gained scholarships or exhibitions in McCrea-Magee College.

His Honour Judge Osborne then distributed the prizes to the successful students, who were heartily applauded.

Judge Osborne afterwards addressed a few helpful words to the boys.

On the motion of Rev. Dr. James McGrandahan, ex-Moderator of the General Assembly seconded by Capt. Glen, of the College teaching staff, a hearty vote of thanks was passed to Judge Osborne.

The proceedings concluded with the singing of the National Anthem.

POLICE PENSIONS, 1914.

A White Paper issued yesterday shows that there were 24,662 police pensioners in Great Britain and Ireland prior to August 4th, 1914. In Ireland the number was 6,585. Of these 6,205 were formerly of the Royal Irish Constabulary and 380 formerly of the Dublin Metropolitan Police. 4,439 drew pensions of under 20s. weekly, 111 under 40s. weekly, 20 of £104 and under £150 per annum, 21 of £150 and under £200 per annum, 30 of £200 and under £250 per annum, and 27 of £250 per annum or over. The pensioners under 50 years of age numbered 140, from 50 to 55 years 512, from 55 to 60 years 1,667, from 60 to 65 years 1,668, from 65 to 70 years 1,135, from 70 to 75 years 817, and over 75 years 636.

COUNTY DUBLIN NURSING ASSOCIATION.

A large and representative meeting of the Presidents, secretaries, and members of Committee of County Dublin Nursing Associations affiliated with the Jubilee Institute was held at the office, 65 Dawson street, yesterday in order to solicit interest to establish a County Nursing Association.

The Lady Talbot de Malahide presided, and explained that the objects in forming such an Association were as follows:—To further the nursing of the sick poor in their own houses; to promote greater local interest in the work of nursing the sick poor, and also to provide more nurses for country districts; and to raise a county fund for training and supporting these nurses.

The following have agreed to act on the Executive Committee of the Dublin County Nursing Association, with power to add to their numbers:—Lady Redmond, Lady Russell, Lady Shaw, Mrs. Keily, Mrs. Martin Murphy, Mrs. Plunkett, Mrs. Pos.

The members of the Sub-Committee of the Jubilee Institute to be *ex-officio* members. They are—The Hon. Mrs. Barry, Miss Boland, Miss McDonnell, Mrs. Jameson, Lieutenant-Colonel Kilkelly, Mr. John Mulhall.

MEETING OF DUBLIN CITIZENS' ASSOCIATION.

Mr. J. Hubbard Clark presided at this week's meeting of the Executive Committee of the Dublin Citizens' Association (Incorporated).

A letter of condolence was passed with the widow and family of the late Mr. James Boydell, one of the original members of the Association.

The congratulations of the Executive were forwarded to Sir Andrew Beattie on the occasion of the honour of Knighthood recently conferred on him.

It was decided to write to the Town Clerk protesting against the proposal, to come before to-morrow's meeting of the Corporation, to lease nine acres of the Fairview sloblands to Councillor Fox at the nominal rent of £5 (five pounds) per annum, instead of applying the land to the greater benefit of the citizens.

A resolution was passed to ask the Chief Commissioner of Police if he would be prepared to receive a deputation of citizens, organised by the Dublin Citizens' Association, with the view of receiving effective protection for the business premises and property of the city.

FOOT-AND-MOUTH DISEASE IN ENGLAND.

The Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland are officially informed that an outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease was confirmed on 3rd inst. at Shadforth, near Durham, and also amongst animals moved from Shadforth to premises at Sherburn Hill, in the same locality.

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RATHMINES URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

A meeting of Rathmines Urban District Council was held in the Town Hall, Rathmines, yesterday, Mr. R. Benson, J.P. (Chairman), presiding.

PROPOSED BONUSES TO OFFICIALS.

The minutes of the Public Health Committee having been read,

Mr. McCormick asked why the question of a war bonus to officials had been postponed for a month.

Mr. Ireland, Chairman of the Committee, said that it had been unanimously agreed to postpone the matter for a month, and that no reason was given for the decision.

The minutes of the Committee were adopted, Messrs. Carruthers and McCormick dissenting.

The Finance Committee minutes recorded a recommendation to pay a war bonus to Mr. Crawford.

Following a discussion the minutes were adopted.

LIGHTING OF THE TOWNSHIP.

Mr. Anderson, replying to a question of Mr. Ireland relating to the minutes of the Lighting Committee, said that all complaints about the lighting of the township had been attended to, and it was impossible for the Committee to do more than they were doing in the matter of lighting.

THANKS OF THE CHAIRMAN.

The Chairman thanked the members of the Council for their loyal support during the year, and added that the staff had carried out their duties in a most admirable manner.

A vote of thanks was unanimously passed to the Chairman for the manner in which he had conducted the business during the year.

DEAD IRISH OFFICERS' AND SOLDIERS' BALANCES.

The latest lists issued under the Regimental Debts Act, 1893, include the following names and particulars of officers and men who, having died or been killed in action, have left balances of pay to their credit, which are available for distribution amongst the next-of-kin or others entitled. It may occasion surprise that the little fortunes left in the hands of the regimental authorities by the brave men who have fallen should remain in some instances so long unclaimed, but there is reason to believe that this is due in not a few cases to its being known to the legal heirs that the undistributed balances are by Act of Parliament applied eventually, after the lapse of a certain period, towards the maintenance of various compassionate funds for the benefit of widows and children, or other near relatives, of soldiers dying on service or within six months after discharge. It may well be that many of the next-of-kin are content to allow the money to be thus automatically applied instead of claiming it for their personal benefit:—

Irish Guards—(1918-19)— Lieut. R. W. Head, £89 12/3; Pte. W. Armstrong, £30; Pte. E. Aylward, £45 6/11; Pte. M. J. Byrne, £8 11/1; Pte. M. McKeon, £30 15/9. (1917-18)—2nd Lieut. T. R. Wilson, £66 4/5; Lance-Cpl. J. Hanley, £1 4/5; Pte. P. J. MacDonald, £16 10/11. (1915-16)—Pte. T. F. Nicholas, £6 0/2. (1914-15)—Capt. Lord A. J. Hamilton, £112 18/3; Pte. C. Delpianque, £1 10/5; Pte. P. J. Heydon, £1 6/4; Pte. M. Loghan, £2 13/1; Pte. J. O'Brien, £1 2/1.

Royal Dublin Fusiliers—(1918-19)—2nd Lieut. W. Jackson, £68 3/; Capt. L. Sheridan, £87 19/; Pte. E. Astins, £19 1/5; Pte. C. Carroll, £39 4/6; Pte. T. Cummings, £12 12/2; Pte. W. M. Fraser, £31 19/1; Acting Lance-Corpl. T. Galvin, £7 9/11; Pte. H. Humphreys, £22 9/11; Pte. M. Kelly, £24 6/4; Pte. R. Sheridan, £26 12/8. (1917-18)—2nd Lieut. A. H. Allen, £28 16/10; Sergt. T. Byrne, £4 13/-; Pte. C. Dever (or Dyer), £24 12/9; Pte. W. Langan, £14 12/4. (1916-17)—2nd Lieut. H. R. McSherry, £16 17/11; Pte. A. M. Moran, £1 19/6; Sergt. G. Piper, £11 5/10; Sergt. J. Tomlinson, £16 13/11. (1914-15)—Pte. J. Connor, £7 9/10.

Royal Irish Rifles—(1918-19)—2nd Lieut. B. T. Dennis, £112 7/5; 2nd Lieut. J. Milligan, £59 12/6; 2nd Lieut. R. Murphy, £94 8/11; Lance-Cpl. E. Fitzgerald, £9 10/9; Pte. J. Grennan, £2 2/10.

Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers—(1918-19)—Lieut. J. Finney, M.C., £120 2/8; 2nd Lieut. R. E. Greene, £117 18/10; 2nd Lieut. R. Irvine, £58 4/4; Acting Lieut. J. J. McNance, £106 10/7; Lieut. H. F. Wilson, £142 11/6; Pte. D. Dane, £5 11/3; Pte. J. Grelly, £19 8/5; Pte. W. Gregg, £4 12/7; Pte. T. Hillin, £6 6/9; Pte. S. McBride, £4 6/1; Lance-Corpl. D. McDonald, £1 1/6; Pte. E. Murphy, 12/6; Pte. T. Patton, £7; Pte. E. Pews, £2 0/8; Pte. C. Seaward, £13 2/8. (1915-16)—Pte. L. Cullen, £6 7/2; Pte. W. Hetherington, £18 4/7; Pte. J. Keatley, £17 5/2; Pte. W. Shirlon, £13 15/6; Pte. G. Young, £13 19/11. (1914-15)—Pte. R. J. Dupher, £16 5/-; Pte. W. Watters, £4 19/6; Pte. L. Delaney, £9 18/7.

CIVIL SERVICE CADETSHIPS.

The following are recommended by the Civil Service Commissioners for the service named:—

Indian Civil Service.—Hopkinson, A. J., Cant.; Sharpe, W., McC., Major, D.S.O.; Clarke, M. S., Lieut.; Chetwode, P., Capt., Inniskilling Dgns.; Capt.; Irwin, J. B., M.C., D.S.O.; Sinden, J. M., Lt.; Yeats, W. W. M., Lt., Scotland, A. and S. Highrs.; Chetwode, P., Capt., M.C.; Clark, A., McD., Gnr.; Gledhill, A., Lt.

Home Civil Service.—Hoare, S., Lt.; Jerrold, D. E., Lt., R.N.V.R.; Dibdin, A., Capt.; Dartford, R. C. G., Capt., M.C.; Woodburn, D. R., Lt., Hamilton, C. G., Capt., M.C.; Dixon, G. G., Lt., Hudson, T., Capt.; Rowlands, A., Lt., M.B.E.; Duff, J. F., Lce.-Cpl.

Eastern Cadetships.—Rennie, G., McC., Capt., M.C.; Wynne-Jones, E. L., Capt.; German, R. L., Lt.; Haslett, J., 2nd Lt.; Jeff, C., Lt.

COMING EVENTS.

GIRLS' FRIENDLY SOCIETY'S LODGE, 28 MERRION SQUARE.—Devotional meeting at 2.30 p.m. to-day. Address by Rev. Canon Wilson.

PROPORTIONAL REPRESENTATION.—A lecture on Proportional Representation, with a model election, will be given this evening in St. Barnabas's Schools, Upper Sherrard street.

DUBLIN CORPORATION.—A special meeting of the Corporation will be held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, on Monday, the 12th day of January, 1920, at the hour of one o'clock in the afternoon, to consider the business undisposed of at a previous meeting.

SUGAR FOR BEEKEEPERS.

The allotment to beekeepers of sugar or bee candy for the feeding of bees has now been resumed, and will be continued, if necessary, until 15th May next. The sugar or bee candy will be allotted at a rate not exceeding 5lb. per stock. Applications should be made on forms to be obtained from the Instructor in Beekeeping for the county in which the applicant resides.

PITMAN'S SHORTHAND SPEED EXAM.

Dec., 1919—28 Certificates for speeds of 120-50 words per minute awarded to our students.—McGUIRE'S COLLEGE, Sackville st., Dublin.—(Advt.)

SPORTING NEWS.

GATWICK MEETING—YESTERDAY.

(SPECIAL TELEGRAM.)

GATWICK, WEDNESDAY NIGHT.

The prospects of racing being found to be practicable at Gatwick to-day suspected none too bright when the first special train left London this morning, but despite the eight degrees of frost which was registered at the enclosure during the night, the course rode exceedingly well, and a large crowd visited the Park. The racing turned out very well in the circumstances, and the proceedings appeared to furnish much enjoyment to the visitors. In the Leatherhead Steeplechase, George B. possessed too much speed for Pintonic and easily stuntzed the stake, to be bought in for 310 guineas. The Horley Hurdle Race proved a gift for Bayards, a five-year-old by Bayardo, who jumps well, possesses a fine turn of speed, and looks uncommonly like winning other races for Mr. Bottomley. The Purley Steeplechase, reduced to a match, was an unsatisfactory race, judging from the strong comments one subsequently heard. Carson continues his victorious career, and won the Reigate Hurdle Race very easily from Gally Strickland and half a dozen others. Neurotic won the Crawley Steeplechase much more easily than the verdict may suggest. The Four-Year-Old Steeplechase fell to Henry B., who may have been more than a little lucky, as Irish Fair was badly baulked at an early stage of the race, and yet appeared all over a potential winner a quarter of a mile from home. Details:—

1.0—LEATHERHEAD CHASE, 2200. 2 m.
Mr. W. Lea's ch. g. GEORGE B, by Kosmos—Bey—Sudora, a, 11-12 .....W. Smith 1
Mr. E. Gaby's PLATONIC, a, 11-12 .....Reardon 2
Mr. H. Rich's BILLET, a, 12-0 .....W. Payne 3
Also ran—Red Flame (Newey).

Betting—15 to 8 agst. GEORGE B, 2 to 1 Ruling, 5 to 2 Platonic, 10 to 1 Red Flame. Won by three lengths; a bad third. The winner was bought in for 310 gns.

1.30—HORLEY HURDLE, £200. 2 m.
Mr. Bottomley's b. c. BAYNARDS, by Bayardo—Mustin, 5, 10-10 .....Glaiser 1
Mr. G. Barclay's FLAMING FIRE, a, 10-5 .....Weslake 2
Mr. H. Curtis's DOUBLE DECK, 6, 11-5 .....Mr. F. B. Rees 3

Also ran—Angus (Lefebre), Marina (C. Booker), Phroso (Capt. Bennett), Prince Danilo (Harland), Tantalus (Reardon), Catalogue (Owner), Citron (T. Hulme), Tatapoul (Thrift), Jack Ashe (Bennett), Young Lover (T. Knight), Geordie (D. Dick).

(Winner trained by Hare.)

Betting—2 to 1 agst. Double Deck, 5 to 1 Marina, 6 to 1 each BAYNARDS and Flaming Fire, 8 to 1 each Citron and Geordie, 100 to 7 any other. Won by five lengths; a bad third. The winner was bought in for 500 gns.

2.0—PURLEY CHASE, £250. 2 m.
Mr. F. Siowburn's b. h. IRISH CHEER, by Earls Mor—Outburst, a, 11-0 .....Harland 1
Mr. Heybourn's Vermouth, a, 11-9 .....Reardon 2

(Winner trained by T. Fitton.)

Betting—9 to 4 on IRISH CHEER. Won by two lengths.

2.30—REIGATE HURDLE (Class 2), £100. 2 m.
Mr. A. Wilmot's b. h. CARSON, 5, 12-2 .....Mr. F. B. Rees 1
Mr. M. Rhodes' GALLY STRICKLAND, 6, 11-0 .....Dick 2
Mr. J. Janes' LADY CRAIGIE, 6, 12-0 .....Reardon 3

Also ran—Rockepilt (L. Rees), Tunworth (J. W. East), Saintly Maude (L. Ward), Common Occurrence (F. Cullen), Aristzy (J. Lea). (Winner trained by Poole.)

Betting—7 to 4 agst CARSON, 5 to 2 Lady Craigie, 5 to 1 Gally Strickland, 10 to 1 any other. Won by three lengths; a length and a half.

3.0—CRAWLEY CHASE (Class 2), £150. 3 m.
Mr. R. Wigram's ch. h. NEUROTIC, by Marcovil—Mari Rare, aged ..... Mr. F. B. Rees 1
Maj. I. Straker's BALLINCARROONA, a, 11-3 .....Orner 2

Maj. I. Straker's WAVEBEAM, a, 11-2 .....Dennison 3

Also ran—General Saxham (W. Payne).

Betting—13 to 8 on NEUROTIC, 100 to 30 Ballincarroona, 6 to 1 Waverbeam, 10 to 1 General Saxham. Won by a length; a bad third. General Saxham fell. Major Straker declared to win with Ballincarroona.

3.25—FOUR-YEAR-OLD HURDLE, £200. 2 m.
Mr. A. Bowen's b. c. HENRY B, by Henry the Minn, 4-9 .....A. Bennett 1
Mr. H. Bottomley's IRISH FAIR, 12-7 .....A. Cox 2
Mr. J. Orbell's SAM TEMPLE, 11-11 .....T. Hulme 3

Also ran—Bramley (G. Smith), Tolud (Whiting), Ayrafire Queen (Lawrence), Potentiate (Dick), Privity (A. Lane), Novelette (G. Green), Zanzibar (J. Dillon), Mainasi (J. Anthony). Interrogation (H. Filton), Magic Boy (L'Estrange). (Winner trained by F. Rich.)

Betting—2 to 1 agst Interrogation, 3 to 1 Grelly, 5 to 1 each Irish Fair and Tolud, 8 to 1 each Zanzibar and Sam Temple, 100 to 6 any other. Won by three lengths; a neck.

PROGRAMME FOR TO-DAY.

1.0—AMATEUR RIDERS' CHASE, £150. 2 m. Age st. lb.
FUGLE MAID (Mr. W. Parrish) D. Rogers 6 13 3
KING'S CAROL (Capt. G. Morgan) .....
CRESLET (Lord Lonsdale) .....Gore a 11 12 7
LINSTEAD PARK (Mr. R. Bottomley) .....Whitaker a 11 12 7
THE LASP (Mr. H. A. Brown) H. Brown a 11 6
TIRHUGH (Lt. Penrose) W. Payne a 11 6
TARNOPOL (Mr. J. Coleman) .....Coleman 5 10 7
BILLET (Mr. H. Rich) .....Gwill a 10 5

(The above have arrived.)

BALL'S BLUFF (Capt. H. Wyndham) .....Withington a 10 5

1.30—CATERHAM HURDLE, £200. 2 m. Age st. lb.
FLAMING FIRE (Mr. G. Barclay) .....Tabor 6 11 12
KOSBIE (Mr. E. Gwill) .....Gwill a 11 7
FLYING SIMON (Mr. R. Dill) .....Low 6 11 11

(The above have arrived.)

GERMISTON (Mr. R. Gates) .....Nightingall a 12 7
THE O'NEILL (Mr. T. Edge) .....Poole a 12 0
IN A TWINKLE (Mr. F. le Bas) .....T. Filton 6 12 0
SUBMIT (Mr. J. Coleman) .....Coleman a 11 7
KINDOMOY (Mr. J. Gray) .....Gray a 11 7
DEMAGOGUE (Mrs. N. Brownlee) .....Goby 5 11 4
HOLOCAUST (Mr. T. Gantrey) .....Hammond a 11 2
ATHENIAN (Mr. W. Donnelly) .....Donnelly a 11 2
ANISETTE (Mr. T. Edge) .....Poole 5 11 2
BRIDGE OF SIGHS (Mrs. D. Preston) .....Private a 11 0
SCHNIDLES (Mrs. E. Gray) .....Gray 5 10 12

2.0—HURDLE RACE, £100. 2 m. Age st. lb.
SIMON THE TANNER (Mr. Leveson-Gower) .....Walford a 12 2
BARRACK SQUARE (Mr. H. Gilman) .....Gwill a 11 9
REDMAN (Mr. A. Hammond) .....Turner 5 11 9

(The above have arrived.)

EXPEDITION (Lady Wilton) .T. Leader a 12 2
PROMOTER (Mr. Bottomley) .....Hare 6 12 2
SHINING MORE (Mrs. F. Barrie) .....Berg a 12 0

(The above have arrived.)

RED SHIELD (Sir G. Abercrombie) .....R. Gordon a 12 0
SANG BLEU (Mr. A. Barrow) .....Private a 11 9
REDFORD ROW (Mr. H. Curtis) .....Poole a 11 9
HILLSIDE (Mr. Gutierrez) .....Goby a 11 9
SUNFLOWER (Capt. F. Jackson) .....T. Brown 6 11 9
TRENTINO (Capt. F. Lloyd) .F. Hartigan 6 11 9
INGATESTONE (Mr. J. Hull) .....Leader 6 11 9
PRETTY FACE (Mr. Malone) Hyams a 11 9
GRANDAD (Mr. H. Molton) .....Rintoul a 11 9
JOHNSTOWN (Mr. G. Murray) .....Gwill a 11 9
BELSTEAD (Mr. Quilter) .....Whitaker a 11 9
SPLINTER (Mr. H. McKenzie) .Hammond a 11 9
DOLLY (Mr. Blair) .....Fetherstonhaugh 5 11 9
LONGERLINE (Mr. Bottomley) .....Hare 5 11 9
DERWENTWATER (Mr. F. Fowell) .....A. Day 5 11 2
BROADWAY (Mr. H. Green) .....McKie 6 11 2

2.30—REIGATE HURDLE (Class 1), £100. 2 m. Age st. lb.
RAYBARROW (Sir S. Wathen) .....F. Hunt a 12 7
MACMERRY (Mr. H. Bottomley) .....Hare a 12 0
TOM FOOL (Mr. H. Brown) .....H. Brown 6 11 3
PALMER'S HILL (Mr. Y. Samuel) .Gore a 11 12

(The above have arrived.)

SEA VOYAGE (Mr. W. Blythe) .....Pope a 12 2
AYNSLEY (Mr. H. Bottomley) .....Hare a 12 1
CANRIOG (Mr. J. Ramsden) .....Gwill a 12 1
HEDU (10th. ex.) (Lady Wilton) .....Leader a 11 11
GOLDEN DAISY (Mr. P. Nelke) .....Gore a 11 9
TOWN CRIER (H. Bottomley) .....Hare 6 11 9
JHANESK (Mr. H. Bradford) .....Bradford a 11 5
CHICAGO (Mr. S. Pole) .....G. Young 5 11 5
STARGANTER (Capt. W. Pepper) .....Hall a 11 5
SHINING MORE (Mrs. Barrie) .....Berg a 11 2
ROCK ABOUT (Mr. J. Dennis) .....G. Young a 10 11
CHARLES MARTEL (Mr. T. Hartigan) .....J. Nightingall 5 10 10
CAROL SINGER (Mr. R. Gates) .....A. Nightingall a 10 10
SERBAN (Mr. H. Brown) .....H. Brown 6 10 5

3.0—CRAWLEY CHASE (Class 2), £150. 3 m. Age st. lb.
SOUTH LODGE (Lord Stanley) .Whitaker a 12 4
BALLYMENDEL (Col. D. Part) .Hastings a 12 3
BARRIE (Mrs. N. Brownlee) .....Sayles a 11 12
E.B. (Mr. Saunders) .....Saunders a 11 7
REDMAN (Mr. A. Hammond) .....Turner a 11 0
SKANTOI (Mr. Richardson) .....Colgr 5 10 12

(The above have arrived.)

ABOU BEN ADHEM (Mr. J. Buchanan) .....Gore a 12 7
GERALD L. (Maj. F. Murray) .....Gwill 6 11 13
PRINCE CLIPTON (Mr. H. Chappell) .....Dodd a 11 11
YEOMAN JOHN (Capt. A. Renton) .....Private a 11 11
MOZZEL (Mr. F. Ingram) .....Poole a 11 11
TEMPLEBAR (Lord Denman) Nightingall 6 11 9

3.25—HURDLE RACE, £200. 2 m. Age st. lb.
LONG VALLEY (Col. W. Anthony) .....Hastings 6 11 7
CRICKET (Commander Ward) .....Whitaker a 11 7
RAYBARROW (Sir S. Wathen) .....F. Hunt a 11 7
JACK JOINT (Lord Wilton) .....T. Leader 5 11 5
INGOE (Mrs. I. Straker) .....Hall a 11 5
NORVIN (Mr. H. Bottomley) .....C. Young a 11 0
ALLIE PALLY (Mr. Davidson) .....Private a 10 7
CYLINDA (Mr. T. Bowen) .....Gwill a 10 7
RED RORY (Mr. R. Williams) .....Arrowsmith 4 10 7

(The above have arrived.)

MATRUH (Mr. C. Hatry) .....Woodland 6 11 12
ZUDER ZEE (Capt. Gore-Langton) Gore a 11 12
PORTON (Mr. G. Beckett) .....Whitaker a 11 12
EAGER MONK (Maj. Power) .....Gilbert 6 11 7
JACK O' JINGLES (Mr. D. Stuart) .....Hyams 6 11 7
RICH GIFT (Lady Torrington) .....Private 6 11 7
WILD (Mr. Fetherstonhaugh) .....Gwill 5 11 5
DETERMINATION (Mr. J. Hillman) .....R. Roberts 5 11 5
TREASURY BILL (Mr. F. Fry) .....Gwill 5 11 3
BE THERE. (Mr. T. Richards) .Faulkner 5 11 3
SILVER BRIDGE (Mr. R. Farr) .....Gore 5 11 3
LEATHERHEAD (Mr. M. Rhodes) .....M. Rhodes 5 11 3
D.N.P. (Mr. G. Marsh) .....Godfrey 5 11 3
VIOLINIST (Sir W. Hulton) .....Wootton 5 11 3
SHENLEY BOY (Mr. Christie) .T. Leader 5 11 3
VERTIGO (Lord Rosebery) .....F. Hartigan 4 11 2
GIRVAN (Mr. J. Greenwood) .....Godfrey 4 10 12
FLYING BUCK (Mr. Carvalho) .....Killalee 4 10 7
HAINTON (Mr. W. Smith) .....Pope 4 10 7
SILVER DOCTOR (Mr. Candell) .....Candell 4 10 7
OUR STEPHEN (Mr. Curzon) .....Hobbs 4 10 7
ROYAL DIAMOND (Mr. W. Dixon) .....Lines 4 10 7
DAYBREAK (Mr. C. Hatry) .....Woodland 4 10 7
JAKLINE (Mr. W. Hopkins) .....Killalee 4 10 7
FAR EAST (Mr. W. Hopkins) .....Killalee 4 10 7
DR. NICOL (Mr. A. Ioannou) .....A. Sadler 4 10 7
RAY THEN (Mr. W. Nixon) .....Private 4 10 7

ADDITIONAL ARRIVALS.—Alfie Pally, Bath; Ballymendel, Barrack Square, Cricketer, Dyllnis, Flaming Fire, Flying Simon, Fogie Maid, Ingoe, Irish Fair, Jack Point, King's Carol, Kosbie, The Lasp, Lt. Long Valley, Neophyte, Palmer's Hill, Raybarrow, Redman, Red Rory, Rillet, Shantoi, South Lodge, Tarnapol, Tirhugh, Tom Fool. Many others are expected this morning.

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DIAMOND—No change. '20, '21.

CHANTICLEER'S NOTES.

(SPECIAL TELEGRAM.)

GATWICK, WEDNESDAY NIGHT.

It is likely enough that the extremely cold night, which preceded the opening of the Gatwick January fixture to-day, was the cause of numerous abstentions of both horses and intending visitors, but there was no real ground for the fear that the frost would veto the proceedings. Unless snow puts in an appearance to-night, we will complete the programme, and to-morrow may find Gore's selected, probably PALMER'S HILL, the winner of the Reigate Hurdle Race. My other selections are:—Amateurs' Steeplechase—Fugie Maid. Caterham Hurdle—The O'Neil. Novices' Steeplechase—Simon the Tanner or Promoter. Crawley Steeplechase—Shantoi; if absent, South Lodge. Maiden Hurdle—Matruh.

SPORTING PARAGRAPHS.

The following horses have left the Curragh for Havbock Park Mesting, where they hold engagements:—Siller, Hidden Treasure, Plummery, and Fort Elizabeth.

W. Head is at the top of the winning cross-country jockeys in France, with forty-eight successful rides, Parfremont coming second with thirty-eight. Berteaux, another Frenchman, is third, one in advance of Mitchell, who has scored thirty-four times.

The famous Highfield training estate at Malton, which for over half a century has been the home of the D'Aneas family, has been sold this week. The purchaser is Mr. H. D. Bailey, of Beverley, who is acting on behalf of a wealthy racehorse owner. The estate in 1903 was leased to Sir John Thursby, the lease expiring this year.

As a result of the Surrey v. Kent cricket match at the Oval last season, played for the benefit of Hobbs, he has received a sum of £1,671 2/7.

MANCHESTER NEW YEAR'S MEETING.

OBJECTION TO CAPTAIN SCOTT.

An objection has been lodged to Captain Scott, the winner of the Cliff Steeplechase, on the grounds of non-registration of name under Rule 46.

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HUNTING.

HUNTING APPOINTMENTS.

THE WARD UNION.

Date—January.	Meet.	Hour.
Saturday, 10	9-Mile Stone	1.30

THE KILDARE

Thursday, 8	Burtown Cross-roads ..	11.0
Saturday, 10	Straffan Bridge	11.0

THE MEATH

Thursday, 8	Loughcrew	11.30
Friday, 9	Kilmoon Barracks	11.30

HUNTING FIXTURES.

CARLOW HOUNDS.—January—Saturday, 10th, Lismavagh; Tuesday, 13th, Cooper's Hill; Friday, 16th, Mount Tuesday, 20th, Baginbarrow; Saturday, 24th, Rathmore Park. Meet at 11 o'clock.

COURSING.

QUEEN'S COUNTY (MARYBOROUGH) MEETING—YESTERDAY.

Judge—Mr. M. Bavin. Slipper—P. O'Donohue.

STRADBALLY STAKES—For 16 puppies. Winner, £50 each; second, £12; two dogs, £5 each.

Dunin Hawk beat Glenedi, Portwilliam beat Glencairn; Hidden Hun beat Captain Davy; Myerstown beat Coolagh Hall; Movement beat Prime Lady; Princess Alice beat Flying Hawk; Carrig Julia beat Ocean Gem; Cheerful Cinder beat Dainty Dot.

SECOND ROUND.—Portwilliam beat Down Hawk; Hidden Hun beat Myerstown, Princess Alice beat Movement; Carrig Cinder beat Carrig Julia.

EARL OF PORTARLINGTON'S CUP—For 32 all-ages. Winner, £100 and Cup; second, £20; two dogs, £10 each; four dogs, £5 each.

Hammerhead beat Rock Sunday, Curraghane II. beat Hammerman; Evador beat Wee Cell; Onward Bound beat Ocean Boy II.; Beauty's Boy II. beat Ocean Fire; Garmencian beat Mark Forward; Master George beat Tuscar; Hidden Harp beat Rosie Rose; Gallipoli beat Welcome Back; Boro Oh Boys beat Moonoam Bendigo; Mickey Meague beat Glebe John; Flying Out beat Slip the Liar; Eye Opener beat Dominica; Hayden beat Rebel Countess IV.; Hesperia beat Flight of Fancy; Fighting Girl beat Wyse.

SECOND ROUND.—Hammerhead beat Curraghane II.; Onward Bound beat Evador; Garmencian beat Beauty's Boy II.; Flying Out beat Hidden Harp; Boro Oh Boys beat Gallipoli; Mickey Meague beat Flying Out; Hayden beat Eye Opener; Fighting Girl beat Hesperia.

BLAKE STAKES—For 16 puppies. Winner, £40; second, £15; two dogs, £4 each.

Blanche's Butler beat Ocean Flash, Master Dick IV. beat Ocean Star II.; Mild Old Irish II. beat Primrose XXII.; Wee Ally beat Stargazer; Hands Up III. beat Style Pat; Irish Steeple beat Hidden Harp; Gullibra beat Romboy; Freezing Fast beat Low Neck.

ROSLEIGHAN STAKES—For 16 all-ages. Winner, £50; second, £15; two dogs, £5 each.

Kincar beat Well To Do; Beautiful Mullinahone a bye, Old Blind Assess; Maple Swank beat Lily Anne; Hazelly beat Athgarvan Boy; Dark Lady beat Gambling Widow; Handy Queen beat Cheerful Chorus; Little Western II. beat Molly B.; Ocean Call beat The Coolin.

CASTLE STAKES—For 16 all-ages. Winner, £30; second, £8.

Hardman III. beat Molly's Brother; Double Laced beat Killnaghey; Moonoam Eagle beat Grand Hawk; Lady Peggy II. beat Faulker III.; Melina beat Gallivanta; Arderstown Lass beat River Alby; True Nell beat All Speed; Javerna beat Let Her In.

There was no trace of frost in the ground at Clonreher yesterday, and the attendance was perhaps, a larger one than that which patronised the inaugural meeting. The ground was in fine galloping order, but the recent severe weather was, doubtless, to a great extent responsible for the hares did not run as well as they did here a couple of months ago. They were a mixed lot, but while a number succeeded early the majority stood up so well that, on the whole, the day's sport left nothing to be desired. We are again to witness grand day's coursing to-morrow, when the local Queen's County Stake, for 16 all-ages, will furnish the card. The running for the Earl of Portarlington's Cup was decidedly interesting, and the final ties were decided by the reverse of the defeats of Beauty's Boy II. Glebe John, Flying Out, and Eye Opener. At the end of two rounds it remained a puzzling problem, but Boys Oh Boys went with plenty of fire, and his ultimate victory seems assured. Garmencian has his first course slaughtily, but improved a lot on this later on, while no fault could be found with Flying Greedy which moved as well as any of the survivors. Mickey Meague succeeded for two useful ones in Glebe John and Flying Out, his pace against the latter proving that he has come on a deal lately. Hayden will be an interesting second between him and Boys Oh Boys, but the latter will probably fall out the same as Garmencian, although a victory for Onward Bound would not be an unexpected happening. Hidden Hun was the fastest puppy in the Hammerhead—Evador brood, but displayed himselves so stylishly as Portwilliam and Cheerful Cinder, the last named of which, however, in the event, only jumped from a window through a glass roof, getting herself so badly as to about end her running career. In the Blake Stakes Mild Old Irish II. and Freezing Fast showed both pace and smartness on the scent, and Marble Swank and Lillie Western II. were about the pick of those left in the Roleighan Stakes.

CAHERDAVIN MEETING—TO-DAY.

Judge—Mr. P. Trant. Slipper—P. J. McSweeney.

THE COOLRAIN STAKES—For 16 puppies. Winner, £25; second, £10; two dogs, £3 10/- each.

Mr. J. Power's Mare Flower II. agst. Mr. P. Clarke's Bundle o' Fun, Mr. P. J. O'Reilly's Lock in Out II. agst. Mr. M. Hickey as. King Time; Mr. G. Blackhall's Little Queen agst. Mr. T. Reen's as. Welcome Home XI.; Mr. J. J. O'Keefe's as. Beggar's Hill agst. Mr.

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A Copy of this Prospectus has been filed with the Registrar of Joint Stock Companies.

Application is being made to the Committee of the Stock Exchange, London, for Special Permission to deal in the Shares of the undermentioned issue and for an Official quotation.

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(a) To provide further capital for the rapidly expanding business of the Bank.

(b) To consolidate the capital of the Bank into one class of share.

Notwithstanding the very satisfactory development of the business and increase in profits, the Directors have no hesitation in stating that the results would have been considerably improved had the Bank been equipped with capital more commensurate with the magnitude of the transactions handled. Consequently the Bank has frequently had occasion to borrow large sums on call from its connects or to admit participating rates involving the disbursement of a large part of the profits, which would have been quite unnecessary had it been possessed of larger capital.

Apart from the commercial side of the Bank's operations the purely banking business has grown very rapidly, the growth of deposits and the number of customers being very marked. The Directors are confident that this side of the Bank's business is capable of great and immediate expansion, and to take advantage of the opportunity it is necessary that the resources of the business should be enlarged by the provision of further capital. The Bank now transacts every description of banking business both at home and abroad, having Correspondents in all the leading financial centres in the world.

The Bank has devoted its energies and resources to supporting British trade and industry, and in carrying out its programme it has not entered into speculative business, its operations having been confined mainly to dealing with old-established industrial undertakings with steady and consistent dividend-paying records. The Bank reorganises the finances of such undertakings, procuring, where necessary, fresh capital for development and extensions, and in the majority of cases making its profits in the form of Ordinary or Deferred Shares, many of which are subsequently disposed of.

It has been the practice when the Bank has purchased the whole or a controlling interest in the share capital of companies for the purpose of re-organising the finances of such companies, simultaneously with the purchase to enter itself by entering into contracts with leading brokers and financial houses for the placing of the shares acquired, and, therefore, the business is not only very profitable but sound.

With what discrimination these operations have been conducted and how profitable they are to the Bank and advantageous to the public generally, is illustrated by the fact that the shares of almost all of the Companies reorganised or founded by the Bank, since it came under its present Management, now stand at a premium—in many cases a very considerable one—above the price at which they were offered to the public. Companies re-organised or founded by the Bank are:—

Agricultural Industries, Ltd. — British Window Glass, Ltd. — H. and C. Grayson, Ltd. — Geo. H. Hirst & Co., Ltd. — Amalgamated Industrials Ltd. — Clarke, Chapman & Co., Ltd. — Irvine's Shipbuilding and Dry Docks Co., Ltd. — British Glass Industries, Ltd. — Jos. T. Eltringham & Co., Ltd. — Leyland Motors, Ltd. — Marshalls, Ltd. — C. A. Vandervell and Co., Ltd.

The profits of the Bank for the twelve months ended December 31st, 1918 (the last complete year's working under the present Management), as shown by the audited accounts amounted to £157,399 15s. 6d. On adding to this amount the sum of £50,000 charged in arriving at the above profits and specifically allocated to the reduction of the book value of the investments, a total is arrived at of £207,399 15 6

The profits of the Bank for the nine months ended 30th September, 1919, before providing for excess profits duty (the amount of which is not yet ascertainable) and Income-Tax, but after charging a sum of £20,000 as a further reserve in respect of pre-war foreign debts, stated in the certificate of Messrs. Deloitte, Plender, Griffiths and Co. (these pre-war foreign debts now being amply provided for) amounted to £456,653 7 10

AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE.

To the Chairman and Directors of
The Commercial Bank of London, Ltd.,
6 Austin Friars, E.C.2,
5 London Wall Buildings, E.C.2,
8th December, 1919.

Gentlemen,—In accordance with your request, we have examined the books of the Commercial Bank of London, Ltd., for nine months to 30th September, 1919, and certify that the net profits of such period, as shown thereby, before providing for Excess Profits Duty (the amount of which is not yet ascertainable) and Income-Tax, but after charging a sum of £20,000 as a further reserve in respect of pre-war foreign debts, amounted to £456,653 7s. 10d.

At 30th September, 1919, the excess of Assets over Liabilities (exclusive of Excess Profits Duty for the nine months to that date) as shown by the books of the Company, amounted to... ... ... £956,253 19 2

As regards the Securities included in the Assets:—

(a) Those having market quotations appear in the books at 30th September, 1919, at cost or market price, whichever was the lower at that date.

(b) Those having no market quotations appear in the books at 30th September, 1919, at cost; substantially, the whole of these Securities were sold subsequently for a sum in excess of cost.

We are, yours faithfully,

DELOITTE, PLENDER, GRIFFITHS AND CO.

The item of unquoted Securities referred to in the above Certificate arises through the purchase of shares in private limited Companies, the capital of which the Bank has since re-organised. Since September 30th, 1919, these unquoted shares have been converted into marketable securities and substantially the whole have been disposed of at a price considerably in excess of the book value.

The Securities quoted are taken at cost or market value, whichever was the lower at that date, and the prices at which these shares were taken is substantially under the present market value.

The Profits made in the realisation of Securities (both quoted and unquoted) subsequent to September 30th, 1919, referred to above, together with the Profits earned during the three months ended December 31st, 1919, will very considerably increase the surplus of Assets over Liabilities shown in the Auditors' Certificate.

The Directors are of opinion that the new Capital to be provided by this issue will result in a large increase in the Profits of the Company in both the Banking and the Financial Departments, and that in consequence the Profits should be such as to justify the payment of substantial dividends (apart from the creation of adequate reserves) from the inception of the Company. This opinion is based on the fact that owing to its present small capitalisation the Bank is obliged almost daily to refuse sound Banking propositions of a remunerative and attractive character, and for a similar reason a large percentage of the important Industrial issues, reconstructions and amalgamations, offered to the Bank in the first instance, pass into other hands.

The Bank has gradually built up a most efficient organisation which now comprises a large staff of financial, commercial and organising experts (including an industrial statistical department), and by this means, together with its valuable connections, it now stands in a unique position to deal with Industrial business.

It is estimated that the profits of the Banking Department, together with interest on Investment holdings—quite apart from the profits to be derived from the Industrial side of the business—will enable the Directors to pay dividends which will show a higher return on the capital of the New Company than the dividends hitherto paid on the shares of the old Bank taken at their present market value.

This Company will acquire from the Bank the whole of its undertaking, business and assets as at the close of business on the 31st December, 1919. The Commercial Bank of London, Limited, is the Vendor Bank, and its registered office is at 6 Austin Friars, London, E.C.2. The consideration payable by the Company for the purchase is: (a) the allotment by the Company of 975,000 fully paid Ordinary Shares of £1 each to the existing holders of the 475,000 Cumulative Participating Preference Shares of £1 each, and the 500,000 Deferred Shares of 1s. each in the Vendor Bank; (b) the payment of 5s. 6d. in cash to the holder of each Cumulative Participating Preference Share of £1, and 4s. in cash to the holder of each Deferred Share of 1s.; (c) the discharge in due course by the Company of the liabilities of the Vendor Bank; and (d) the payment by the Company of the expenses of winding up the Vendor Bank, including provision for discontinued members (if any).

The whole of the Shares now offered for subscription have been underwritten by the National and Provincial Investment Trust Limited for an underwriting commission of 3 per cent. and an over-riding commission of 1 per cent. on the nominal amount of such Shares, and such commission is payable by the Company, and an additional commission of ½ per cent. will be paid by the Company on Shares taken firm. The National and Provincial Investments Trust Limited have entered into various Agreements with other parties for sub-underwriting.

The minimum subscription upon which the Company may proceed is £1,000,000. In the event of the Association at 47, 101 or the whole of the shares now offered for subscription have been underwritten the Directors will proceed to allotment on the closing of the lists.

Applications from subscribers who are the bank for the shares now offered for subscription will receive preferential consideration.

Of the unissued capital of 775,000 Shares will be set aside under Option Certificates enabling the holders (being the persons who are or become entitled to the allocation of fully paid shares in exchange for shares in the old Commercial Bank of London, Limited) to subscribe for such Shares at par in cash at par at any time prior to the 31st December, 1920, in the proportion of one Share in the Company for every share (Preference and Deferred) held in the old Commercial Bank of London, Limited.

The preliminary expenses are payable by the Company and (exclusive of underwriting and over-riding commission, brokerage, and of the ad valorem duty on the sale) are estimated at £40,000.

A copy of the Memorandum of Association is printed in the fold of the Prospectus and further open inspection.

The following Agreements have been entered into:—A. Dated 1st January, 1920, between The Commercial Bank of London, Limited (being the old Company) and Arthur Hamilton King, of the one part, and the Company of the other part. B. Dated 12th December, 1919, between William Ernest Treweek as Trustee on behalf of and the Company and the National Provincial Investment Trust Limited, which has an issued Share Capital of 16,000 Preference Shares of £1 (fully paid) and 40,000 Ordinary Shares of 1s. each (fully paid), of which Sir Charles Hobhouse holds 2,600 Preference Shares and 8,587 Ordinary Shares (being the Underwriting Agreement above referred to). C. Dated 1st January, 1920, between the National Provincial Investment Trust Limited, William Ernest Treweek and the Company adopting such agreements dated 7th January, 1919, and 6th February, 1919, respectively, and each made by The Commercial Bank of London, Limited (being the old Company) (as to the first Agreement) with C. G. Hatry and Co. in the one part and the Company and the Provincial Investment Trust Limited, which has an issued Share Capital of 16,000 Preference Shares of £1 (fully paid) and 40,000 Ordinary Shares of 1s. each (fully paid), of which Sir Charles Hobhouse holds 2,600 Preference Shares and 8,587 Ordinary Shares (being the Underwriting Agreement above referred to). D. Dated 1st January, 1920, between the Company and Peter Haig-Thomas, of 43 Princes Gardens, London, S.W.7, Director of Leyland Motors, Ltd. E. Dated 1st January, 1920, between the Company and Sir Francis Towle, being a further Managerial Agreement.

The Articles of Association contain the following provisions, viz.:—

Article 82. Subject to the rights of the holders of shares issued upon special terms and conditions, at every meeting every member present in person or on a show of hands have one vote, and upon a poll every member present in person or by proxy shall have one vote for every share held by him.

Article 75. For qualification of Directors, the holding of shares in the Company of the nominal amount of £1,000.

Article 84. The remuneration of the Directors shall be paid out of the funds of the Company, by way of remuneration for his services, such a sum as after deduction of income-tax at the full rate then current will leave a clear sum at the rate of £600 per annum, and the Directors shall in addition sum as after deduction of income-tax at the full rate then current will leave a clear sum at the rate of £600 per annum, and the Directors shall also be paid out of the funds of the Company, by way of further remuneration for their services such further sums as the Company in General Meeting from time to time determine, and the same or any remuneration shall be divided among them in such proportion and manner as the Directors may determine, and in default of such determination within the year equally.

Article 82. In addition to the remuneration mentioned in the last preceding Article the Director shall be entitled to be repaid and reimbursed all travelling and other expenses as they may incur in going to, attending and returning from meetings of the Board or of Committees of the Board or General Meetings of the Company or which they may otherwise incur in or about the business of the Company.

Under Article 86. A Director may hold any other office or place of profit in the Company in conjunction with his directorship, and may be appointed thereto upon such terms as to remuneration, tenure of office and otherwise as may be determined by the Directors, and a Director may be or become a Director of any company promoted by this Company or in which this Company may be interested as vendor, shareholder or otherwise, and no such Director shall be accountable for any benefits received as director or member of such company.

The Qualification of Directors.

Under Article 84a. Establish local boards, local managing or consulting committees, and in any agencies in the United Kingdom or abroad, and appoint any one or more of the members of such committees or any other persons to be members thereof, with such powers and authorities, under such regulations, for such period and upon such terms as they may deem fit, and may from time to time revoke any such appointment.

Under Article 84b. Appoint from time to time any one or more of their number to be Managing Director of Managing Directors of such Company, and to remuneration and with such powers and authorities and for such period as they deem fit, subject to the following restrictions:—

Under Article 84c. Grant to any Director required to go abroad or to perform, or render any extra or special duties or services, such special remuneration for the duties or services as they may think fit, and may by such think proper.

Each of the Directors of the Company is a Shareholder of the Bank, which has an issued capital of 475,000 Preference Shares of £1 each, and 500,000 Deferred Shares of one shilling each. Their holdings in the Bank are as follows:—Sir Charles Hobhouse holds 2,600 Preference Shares and 8,587 Deferred Shares, Mr. Hatry holds 37,909 Preference Shares and 113,375 Deferred Shares, Mr. Haig-Thomas holds 3,000 Preference Shares, and 100 Deferred Shares. The Earl of March holds 500 Preference Shares, Mr. Pelham-Clinton holds 500 Preference Shares and 8,000 Deferred Shares, and Sir Francis Towle holds 500 Preference Shares.

Copies of the abovementioned agreements and a print of the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Company may be inspected by intending applicants at the offices of the Company's Solicitors, Messrs. J. D. Langton and Passmore, 6 Austin Friars, E.C.2, on any day between the hours of 11 a.m. and 3 p.m., except Saturday, prior to the closing of the lists.

The Company will pay a brokerage of 3d. per share on all allotments made to the public on applications bearing the stamp of a broker, banker, or other authorised agent.

Applications for shares should be made on the accompanying form and sent to the Company's Bankers: Barclays Bank, Limited, City Office, 170 Fenchurch street, E.C., and Branches; Coutts and Company, 15 Lombard street, E.C., and 440 Strand, W.C.; Lloyds Bank, Limited, Head Office, 71 Lombard street, E.C., 39 Threadneedle street, E.C., and Branches; The National Provincial and Union Bank of England Limited, 15 Bishopsgate, E.C., and Branches; together with a remittance for the amount payable on application.

Where no allotment is made the application money will be returned in full, and where the number of shares allotted is less than the number applied for the balance of the application money will be applied towards the amount payable on allotment and any residue will be refunded. Failure to pay any instalment when due will render any previous payment liable to forfeiture and the allotment to be cancelled.

Application will be made in due course to the Committee of the London Stock Exchange for a Quotation of the Shares.

Copies of the Prospectus and Forms of Application can be obtained from the Bankers, Solicitors and Brokers of the Company or at its Registered Office.

Dated 7th January, 1920.

THIS FORM MAY BE USED.

COMMERCIAL BANK OF LONDON LTD.

CAPITAL - - - - £5,000,000.

Divided into 5,000,000 Ordinary Shares of £1 each.
ISSUE OF 1,275,000 ORDINARY SHARES OF £1 EACH AT PAR.
FORM OF APPLICATION FOR SHARES.

To the Directors of COMMERCIAL BANK OF LONDON LIMITED,
6 Austin Friars, London, E.C.2.

Gentlemen,—Having paid to the Bankers of your Company the sum of £ ....., being a deposit of 2s. 6d. per Share payable on application for ..... Ordinary Shares of ..... each in the above Company, I/we request that you will allot to me/us that number of Shares, and I/we hereby agree to accept the same, or any less number that may be allotted to me/us, upon the terms of the Prospectus of the Company dated 7th January, 1920, and further agree to the Memorandum and Articles of Association, so provided by the said Prospectus, and authorise you to register me/us as the holders of the shares.

And I/we hereby declare that this application is not made by or for the benefit of an enemy subject within the meaning of the Trading with the Enemy Amendment Act, 1916, or with whom trading is forbidden under any Proclamation for the time being in force relating to Trading with the Enemy.

Name (in full) .....
(Please state if Mr., Mrs., or Miss.)

Address .....

Description .....

Usual Signature .....

Date 1920
To be written distinctly.

An acknowledgment will be forwarded in due course either by allotment letter or by the return of the deposit.

This Form must be sent entire to the Bankers of the Company, BARCLAYS BANK LIMITED, City Office, 170 Fenchurch street, E.C., and Branches; COUTTS AND COMPANY, 15 Lombard street, E.C., and 440 Strand, W.C.; LLOYDS BANK LIMITED, Head Office, 71 Lombard street, E.C., 39 Threadneedle street, E.C., and Branches; NATIONAL PROVINCIAL AND UNION BANK OF ENGLAND LIMITED, 15 Bishopsgate, E.C., and Branches, with cheque for the amount payable on application made payable to the Bank or Bearer and crossed "Not Negotiable."

FINANCIAL NEWS

DUBLIN STOCK EXCHANGE.

SHARP REACTION IN SPECIALITIES. RAILS AND GUINNESS GOOD.

There were mostly disappointing markets on 'Change yesterday owing to a very considerable development of realisation orders in directions that recently showed special buoyancy. Some selling orders also arrived from the other side, while local selling was pressed in more than one speciality. The Funds on balances improved further, but here also realisations were made. Banks were irregular. Nationals rose, but Munsters gave way. Guinness shares were harder, but Marconis were rather on sale. Rails advanced further, but finally turned dull. Dunlop issues were a little weaker on profit-taking. There was an almost general decline in Textiles on general selling to secure profits. Tobacco shares rose, but Oils rather tended to ease. The more or less general set-back in prices was fully due after the recent rush of general buoyancy in specialities and the flood of new issues and bonus shares.

The Funds were irregular. Consols rose ⅛ to 51, and War Loan 4 p.c. ⅛ to 102, but War Loan 5 p.c. fell ¼ to 91¾, and Funding Loan ¼ to 78¾. India Stocks and Corporation, etc., issues were just steady.

Banks were a trifle irregular. Munster and Leinsters fell ¼ to 7, and Nationals rose ½ to 20.

Dealing in Breweries was confined to Guinness issues. The Ord. rose ½ to 35½, and the Pref. repeated 10½.

In Marconis, the Ord. fell 6d. to 8¾s. 6d., and the New Shares, 5s. paid, repeated 2¾s. 9d.

Home Rails again displayed strength. Great Northern opened 1 higher at 84, and eased later to 83¾. Great Southern and Western rose 1 to 74; others were featureless and unchanged.

In Trams, Provincial Ord. fell 1½d. to 18s. 6d., and the Debs. remain at 59.

Bakery and Drapery Shares were neglected.

With reference to Manufacturing Shares, Textiles suffered an almost general set-back. Bleachers fell 3s. 6d. to 50s.-51s., Calicos 2s. to 39s. 6d., Coats Ord. 6d. to 75s., the "Letters" 1s. 6d. to 51s., and the New Ord. quoted 74s.-73s. 6d. Cottons declined ½ to 52 and Spinners 4s. to 86s. on Manchester selling. Bradford Dyers exceptionally rose 10½d. to 84s. 6d. Iron and Steel Shares were all bid for.

Trading and Miscellaneous Shares show no change; and in Tyres, Parent Pref. repeated 14s. 9d., but the Def. fell 9d. to 65s.

Among other business done—Armstrong Whitworth Shares were firm. The Ord rose 5d. to 30s. 9d., and the 6¼ p.c. 3rd Pref. repeated 17s. 5d. Dunlop Rubber Ord. opened unchanged, but closed ¼ lower at 10¼, and the "Letters" relapsed ¼ also to 45s., 46s., 45s. 6d. Imperial Tobacco rose 5d. more to 68s. 6d.-68s. 9d., but Mexican Eagle fell ⅛ to 11⅛, Scottish-American Oils 3d. to 30s., and Shells ⅛ to 11 11-16-¾. Maypole Def. marked 19s.

BANK OF IRELAND.

Discount ..... 6 per cent., 6th November, 1919.
Deposit ..... 3 per cent., 6th November, 1919.

BUSINESS DONE—

Consols	(50⅛) 51	Alliance Gas	(97½) 94/4½
5% War Ln.....	(91½) 91¾	Do. Deb.....	(89) 89
4½% War Ln.....	(101) 100	Bleachers	(54½) 50-b 51-a
4% Funding...	(70¾) 70¾	Brad. Dy.	(83-72) 64/6
3½% Exch. Bonds	99	Brit. Cottons	14/-
5% War Bonds	100	Calicos.	(41/6) 40/- 39/6
5% do. (1922)	98	Coats Ord.	(78/6) 75/
India 3½	(55½) 55¼	Do. New	(74) 5/9
Bullion 3½	(55) 55¼	Do. Letters	(49½) 51/-
Mun. & Lein. Bk.	(74) 7	Sew. Cottons.	(51) 51/-
National Bk.	(19) 20	Fine Spin.	(90½) 90/-
Guinness	(35¾) 36¼	Hemp & Jute	(105) 105/-
Do. Pref.	(10¾) *10¾	Armstrong (Sir W.)	
Marconi	(8¾) 8¾	New	(30/6) 30/9
Do. New	(30/9) 30/9	Do. 3rd Pref.	(17½) 17/5
Do. Rts.	(6¾) 6 4/6	Imp. Tob.	(68/6) 68/6 8/9
G.S.W. Ord.	(73¾) 74	Lever "C" Pref.	
Do. Pref.	(64¾) 64¾		(20/3) 20/3
Do. Guar.	(67¾) 67¾	Maypole Def.	19/-
G.W. Ord.	(31¾) 31¾	Parent Ord.	(14/9) 14/9
Provincial Trans		Scottish-American Oil	
Pref. Def.	(18/7½) *18/6		(30/5) 30/9
Do. Pref.	(14/9) 14/9	Shells	(11-4) 11-4
Dunlop	(10¾) 10¾-7-4		
Do. Letters			
.....	(48/-) 48/- 46/ 8/6		

*Odd lot.

(Last business done given in parentheses)

IRREGULAR STOCKS. GOOD INVESTMENT TONE. JUMP IN MEXICAN BONDS.

(FROM THE FINANCIAL NEWS OF TO-DAY.)

The rush of buying orders with which the week-end has been succeeded by a steady, but nevertheless pronounced, demand for high-class securities. On the whole the tone yesterday was irregular, but late in the afternoon the tendency hardened. The Home Railway market was in a chastened mood pending the conference at the Ministry of Transport, but little more hope being imparted to the outlook by the opinion expressed by the President of the Union that the members as a whole will accept the Government terms "when they have been thoroughly explained to them." This being the accepted view of the situation in the Home Railway market, quotations, although lower, did not betray anything like the nervousness that might have been expected at a time when peace is in the balance. Highclass investment stocks, however, including British Funds, were in good demand and short supply, War Loan, Victory Bonds, and National Bonds generally improving. The investment demand embraced some of the recent Colonial issues, such as Queensland Sixes and the Nigerian Loan, both of which have now established substantial premiums. In the foreign market, Mexican Fives provided a brilliant exception in the prevailing heavy tone by advancing no less than 9 points to 60, thus suggesting the interesting proposition that earthquakes serve as a tonic to national credit. Apart from Mexicans, foreign sentiment was rather mixed, for while Brazilian issues were better, French Fives were dull, and Rumanian and Portuguese issues were marked down.

LONDON STOCKS WAIT FOR RAILWAY DECISION.

The Stock Exchange continued irregular in tone, markets as a whole being rather overshadowed by the uncertainty bred of the railwaymen's impending decision regarding the new proposals for a wage settlement. There was no much selling to digest, and both the professional and the public attitude was a waiting rather than a definitely disgruntled one. Home Rails were marked back, but the downward tendency was hardly so pronounced as during the two immediately preceding session. Gilt-edged descriptions were on the firm side being still assisted by the easier tendency in the Money Market. In the gilt-edged section, the 3½ sank 4½ p.c. Loans were steady. Victory Bonds finished around 81, and the Funding Loan at 76¾. Miscellaneous gilt-edged issues were on the firm side, assisted by the success of the new Nigerian Loan, which was oversubscribed. Queensland Scrip was good, round 4 premium.

Changes:—Rises—Consols ¼ to 51½; Funding Loan, ¼ to ¼; 5 p.c. War Loan, ¼ to 91¾; 4 p.c. do., ¼ ... 103¾.

FRENCH LOANS EASIER.—In the Foreign market, French Loans showed an easier tendency, affected by the adverse Paris exchange. Russian Loans remained dull and nominal, and the reports of fresh peace advances by the Bolshevik leaders were received with the greatest reserve. Far Eastern Bonds had a better undertone, and the improved character of political advices from Cairo helped Egyptian Loans, though there was no actual quotable advance. Among South Americans, scattered selling of Peruvians continued. Mexican Loans maintained a firm tone.

Changes.—Rises—Mexican Fives (1899), 1 to 51½; Greek Fives, 51 x.d.; Japan Fours, 81 x.d.; Spanish Fours, 105½ x.d. Falls—French Loan, ¼ to 62; Peruvian Corp., ¼ to 72; do. Pref., ¼ to 24¾.

HOME RAILS QUIET.—The fall in Home Rails continued, but there were indications that it was being checked in the afternoon, and not falls were not severe. At the same time, if the Government makes any further wage concessions, the market feels that there will be no room for any important revival based on the bringing advance in freights. Several trunk and local line stocks quotations were at falls of ½ to 1. Passenger Stocks met distinct selling, and net declines were few and unimportant. Underground were about the same. There were occasional moderate falls in Scotch Stocks.

CANADIANS AND MEXICANS STEADY.—Grand Trunk Junior Stocks and Canadian Pacifics were about the same. Mexican Railway Junior Stocks were offered back ¼ to 1, but the 1st Pref., which is still in short supply, recorded a further advance of a point to 52. Argentine Rails were hardly affected by the weekly results so far published. The Buenos Ayres Western has a net gain of £15,000, while the Central Argentine net figures are £60,200 up. Leopoldinas at 44½ were ½ higher on a traffic gain of £27,406.

In consequence of the shortage of steel bars a number of Welsh tinplate mills are closing down for the time being. Thousands of employés are affected.

BUSINESS IN INDUSTRIALS DECREASED IN VOLUME. TEXTILES WAVER—IRON AND STEELS STRONG—NITRATES ACTIVE.

(FROM THE FINANCIAL NEWS OF TO-DAY.)

In the Miscellaneous and Industrial market yesterday there was a noticeable falling-off in the quantity of business put through, and, though certain sections were inclined to flare up now and again, the general tendency was again towards consolidation and a steadier pace. Brokers welcomed the respite after the exceptional activity in the market and the heavy labour involved in finishing off the day's transactions; but the tone was not one which would lead to the assumption that business would die down for long. Iron and Steel again shared with Nitrates the honours of the day, though there were also some interesting movements in other groups. Palmer's Shipbuilding were in demand, rumoured Tyneside developments exercising a favourable influence in the shares. The provinces forwarded further buying orders yesterday, notably Sheffield, which lent strong aid to Hadfields, the shares improving in consequence. Nitrates were strong again, and the market showed some enthusiasm at times, most of the issues showing good rises by the close. Profit-taking sales proved too heavy a weight for Textiles, which, after their hesitation of the day before, called a definite halt yesterday. With the exceptions of Dyers and "Stubbers," the section reacted fairly generally, Courtaulds showing loss and losing ground. Dunlops, on the other hand, were better, and B.A.T. inclined to improve again on bonus anticipations, whilst Pyrotan Leathers and Alba United found bids were wanted. Among the Miscellaneous descriptions, Edison and Swan were better, and no official word has been spoken regarding the coupling of the company's name with the G.E.C.

Generally speaking, movements in the Textile collection were mostly on the down grade, as a result of profit-taking on the recent long run. A halt was to be expected in the shares, but it is questionable whether the reaction has set in, as another load by Courtaulds might set the group going again. Actually, Courtaulds were ½ down at 7¾, and Bleachers 2s. 5d. worse off at 51s. Bradford Dyers were a better market, and gained ⅛ at 34, but Calicos were off colour with the rest, losing 1s. 9d. at 39s. 6d., Coats also easing to the same extent at 3½. Cottons were steady, though the Pref. lost 1s., while "Stubbers," at 15s., and Hoyles, at 4½, were both inclined to harden. Land Shares were not in very good form, and no doubt suffered in a small degree from profit-taking. Duffs were easier at 22s., and Brit. North Borneo at 17s. 9d. Nigers eased 6d. to 8s. 6d., and Sudan Plantations fractionally to 15s. 6d.; but an exception was noted in the case of Pekins, which, at 34s. 6d., were 2s. higher, and Shansis, which followed up with an improvement of 1s. to 15.

More and more attention was attracted to the Nitrate varieties, which bounded along merrily, an active and buoyant medley. Allanas spurted to 17/8, a rise of 1¼, and Pan de Azucars annotated the feat to the extent of 1¼ increase to 12⅛. Practically every share participated in the general upward trend, and several gains of ¼ and ½ were recorded. Rosario were ½ better at 7¼, Lautaros were ¼ up at 11⅛, and so were Anglo-Chilian at 16¼. Altogether, a very strong tone developed in this section. Among Wireless, Marconis were, if anything, inclined to harden, and elsewhere among Telegraphs United River Plate rose ¼ to 7⅞, and Callenders Ord. were better at 8¼. Bank Shares were a firm market, and plenty of support was forthcoming for the section as a whole. London Joint City and Midland issued showed an improvement of ¼ at 84, and National of Egypt put on ½ at 22½. Colonials were offered slightly, being ¼ down at 7⅛.

Another good day for the Iron and Steel sections, with the exception of Investments. Vickers were wanted at 35s. 6d., Pease and Partners put on 1s. to 74s., and Cargo Fleet were 2s. 6d. better at 29s. 6d. Bolckow Vaughans were again strong at 55s. 6d., a further rise of 1s., while Baldwins continued to find buyers, advancing ⅛ to 14⅛. Swan Hunters, at 34⅛, were ½ up. Shipping Stocks presented quite a firm appearance. P. and O. def. again forged ahead, adding 5s. more to the gain already big total advance at 600. Furness Withys improved ⅛ to 34 and Cairn Lines ⅛ to 14⅛. Anglo-European Steamships were also 9d. to the good at 8s. 6d., but Tramps were off colour at 44s., at which they were 1s. down. Insurances were quiet, but Motor Union were a bright spot rising ½ to 11⅛ while Sun Insurance also improved 1 to 19. In Miscellaneous descriptions Pyrotan Leathers were good at 29s. 9d. Alby United Carbide enjoyed further buying, improving to 17s. 6d. Gramophones, at 37s., were better, and in Draperies and Stores, John Barker hardened to 2½. Subsequent on the Derby Tons 1931, while South African Stores were 2½. 6d. bid on revival of the rumour that the business was to be taken over by Harrods (B.A.).

TENS LEAD THE MINING MARKET. AUSTRALIANS ALSO GETTING BUSY.

(FROM THE FINANCIAL NEWS OF TO-DAY.)

Markets were inclined to be heavy yesterday, largely owing to uncertainty as to the outcome of the conference of the National Union of Railwaymen. The possibility of further labour difficulties checked initiative in most departments, and naturally Mines were to some extent affected. The failing off in business in the Kaffir section was, however, somewhat unexpected, for the price of gold remained at 108s. 5½d. The excuse put forward was that probably the December returns would be poor, for the reason or another, while the rise in the Paris exchange was thought to have exercised some influence on these descriptions. There was no heavy selling from the French capital, but public buying here was on a small scale, and professionals preferred to bide consideration of prices generally had a downward trend, the only notable exception being Spring Mines, for which a strong demand existed on the reported receipt of a private cablegram indicating good developments. It is stated that Gold Fields have acquired a big line of these shares, and also of Rand Selections. The shrinkages did not amount to much, but naturally the recent favourites, such as Rand Mines, Central Mining, Randfontein, and "Johnnies," suffered. In sympathy with their neighbours, were quieter than on the preceding day, and Chesterns and one or two others fell away; but Galka moved up, and Rhodesia Broken Hill, after a busy day, finished unaltered. There was some profit-taking in De Beers Def., but the decline was insignificant, having regard to the previous advance. Premier Def. were distinctly harder. The activity and excitement in the Tens section compensated in some measure for the dulness elsewhere. The metal was 27 7s. 6d. down at £356 15s. per ton, but this did not interfere with dealings. Nigerians took the lead, with 2s. 6d. to the good at 8s. 6d., and a long list of substantial gains, and Rayfield Nigeria following closely in their wake. The market, which was continued for some time in the street, closed strong and buoyant. West African Gold Shares, however, were easier for choice. The news of the termination of the strike in the Westralian field imparted a fillip to Lake View, Great Boulder, and Kalgurli, the last-named showing a substantial advance on reported good developments. Dealings were commenced in Hampden Celebration, which closed at 3½. Barriers were being quietly nibbled at on the maintenance of a higher silver price and the expectation of an early settlement of the labour trouble. Coppers were inclined to harden, apart from Rio Tintos, which fell back on profit-taking. Elsewhere Burmas were easier and Colombian Mining flat, but Mexes experienced another sharp forward movement.

RUBBER SHARES UNCERTAIN.

(FROM OUR FINANCIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

The price of rubber was lower at 2s. 6¼d. per lb., and in the Share market there was something of a set-back amongst the leaders. Rubber Trust lost 1s. at 46s. 3d., and Anglo-Dutch showed a similar fall at 35s. Java Investments were down ½ at 6s. 6d., and Linggi fell 1s. 6d. to 70s. 3d. On the other hand, there were numerous rises amongst the heavy investment issues, and, although the volume of business fell off to some extent, there was no weakness in this section of the market. Bintangs advanced ½ to 8s. 3d., and Batu Tigs were up ¼ at 8½. Besoeki shed ¼ at 41s., and Elphil were lower at 41s. 3d.; but Glenshiel gained ¼ at 6¼, and Hevea and Hevea Rubber Trust were taken at 40s. 7½d., while Harpenden improved ¼ to 9½. Lanadron advanced ½ to 50s. and Lumut to 61s. 3d., but Malacca were down ¼ at 6½. Pyrs kept in demand at 43s. 9d., and Rembia Pref. were taken at 51s. 3d., while Serdang Central showed a further rise, with active dealings around 53s. 9d. Sialang fell back about 3s., with sellers at 54s, but Straits Rubber put on ¼ at 6¼. In the Plorister section, Anglo-Java were a weak spot, with a drop to 8s., but Chersonese rose to 4s. 7½d., and Chembong were firm at 7s. 4½d. Eastern Sumatra were lower at 3s. 3d., as were Port Dickson at 4s. 10d. Singapore United eased 1d. to 3s. 7d., while Sungkai Chemor lost part of their previous rise, finishing 10s. 6d. In the Borneo group, Beaufort were wanted around 9½., but Manchester N.B. weakened a little to 4s. 3d., and Membakut were lower at 33s. 9d. On the other hand, North Borneo State Rubber kept in demand, with numerous transactions between 25s. and 28s., and Sablas showed a further improvement at 51s. 6d. bid. Sapong were also higher at 40s. 9d.

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PROSPECTUS.

A copy of the full Prospectus has been filed with the Registrar of Joint Stock Companies, who states, amongst other things:

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FINANCIAL NEWS.

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LOWER PRICES RULE FOR LEADING OILS.

UNITED BRITISH OF TRINIDAD IN ACTIVE REQUEST.

FROM THE FINANCIAL NEWS OF TO-DAY.)

Although there was no pronounced activity in the Oil Share market yesterday, the volume of transactions was, nevertheless, considerable, and a certain amount of liveliness in a few cases was possible. In the case of the leaders, no evident movements occurred, and final prices showed very little alteration on the day. The Shell Eagle Company announces that Petrex Well No 1, which is situated two miles and a half north of the Naranjos field, came in on Monday last, the yield being estimated at 20,000 barrels daily. The well has been successfully shut in. Trinidad issues figured prominently in the day's business, with United Bitumen of Trinidad providing an outstanding feature of strength, these shares being in keen demand and moving up smartly. Trinidad Leaseholds were on offer and became dull in the early hours, sales of these shares being effected in order to buy United British, but they closed at the end and finally showed an improvement. Trinidad Leaseholds, however, remained on the dull side. Russian descriptions were further declined during the morning, a moderate amount offering, but towards the close there took a decided turn for the better, the Caspian, North Caucasians, and Spies all finishing above the overnight's levels. The rest of the list presented nothing of outstanding interest. Closing prices:—

American	7¾	8¼
Anglo-Persian	9/6	10/6
Baku Consolidated	1¼	1½
Bolivian	6/6	7/6
Burma Corporation	24/3	25/3
Caspian	1	1 pm.
Caspian Pref.	2¼	2¾
" A "	2¼	2¾
" B "	2/6	2/9
Eastern Amalgamated	2¼	2¾
Eagle Burmah Petroleum	21	21
Eagle Controlled Prefd.	1	1
" A "	19½	19¾
" B "	20/0	21/0
Eagle Oil	6/6	7/6
Eagle Oil Trust	4/9	5/3
Eagle Transport Pref.	5/3	5/4 x.d.
Egyptian Oilfields	23	24
Ensign	11/0	12/0
Ensign Pref.	3/9	4/0
Ensign Trust	36/9	37/3
Ensign Warrants	4¼	4½
Ensign Petroleum Trust	9/0	9/3
Estates Eagle Oil	10¼	10¾ x.d.
Estates Eagle Pref.	10¼	10¾ x.d.
Kern River	10/6	11/6
Kern River Oilfields	6/6	7/6
Kern Trading	1¾	2
Kern Trading Warrants	¾	⅞
Mexican Eagle	2¾	2¾
Mexican Eagle Pref.	2¾	2¾
Mexican Eagle Warrants	2¾	2¾
Mexican Panuco	9/0	10/0
Mexican Petroleum	5/6	6/6
Mexican Petroleum Pref.	5/3	6/3
Mexican Provincial	6/3	7/3
Mexican Provincial Pref.	8/9	9/3
Mexican Tramway	5¼	6
Mexican Tramway Pref.	5¼	6
Mexican Transport	3/3	3/6
Mexican Transport Pref.	3/3	3/6
Mexican Union	2¼	2¾
Mexican Union Pref.	2¼	2¾
Mexican Union Warrants	2¼	2¾
Nobel Industries	1/3	1/6
Nobel Industries Pref.	1/3	1/6
Nobel Industries Warrants	1/3	1/6
Nobel Trust	1/3	1/6
Nobel Trust Pref.	1/3	1/6
Nobel Trust Warrants	1/3	1/6
Ocean Oil	2¼	2¾
Ocean Oil Pref.	2¼	2¾
Ocean Oil Warrants	2¼	2¾
Oil Consolidated	4/4	5/4

CLOSING PRICES.

The quotations in the following tables were made at an earlier hour than, and may, therefore, differ to some extent from, those given in our concluding issue.

RUBBER SHARES.

Ayer	5/4	5/7
Batu Caves	3/9	4/0
Bukit Rajah	3/3	3/6
Bukit Sembawang	3/3	3/6
Bukit Unggul	3/3	3/6
Bukit Unggul Pref.	3/3	3/6
Bukit Unggul Warrants	3/3	3/6
Chersonese	4/3	4/6
Chersonese Pref.	4/3	4/6
Chersonese Warrants	4/3	4/6
Consolidated Plantations	1/3	1/6
Consolidated Plantations Pref.	1/3	1/6
Consolidated Plantations Warrants	1/3	1/6
Dominion	2/3	2/6
Dominion Pref.	2/3	2/6
Dominion Warrants	2/3	2/6
Golden Hope	7/3	7/6
Golden Hope Pref.	7/3	7/6
Golden Hope Warrants	7/3	7/6
Highlands	2/3	2/6
Highlands Pref.	2/3	2/6
Highlands Warrants	2/3	2/6
Java Consolidated	1/3	1/6
Java Consolidated Pref.	1/3	1/6
Java Consolidated Warrants	1/3	1/6
Kamunting	3/3	3/6
Kamunting Pref.	3/3	3/6
Kamunting Warrants	3/3	3/6
Kedah	1/3	1/6
Kedah Pref.	1/3	1/6
Kedah Warrants	1/3	1/6
Kuala Kampar	1/3	1/6
Kuala Kampar Pref.	1/3	1/6
Kuala Kampar Warrants	1/3	1/6
Kuala Selangor	1/3	1/6
Kuala Selangor Pref.	1/3	1/6
Kuala Selangor Warrants	1/3	1/6
Linggi	1/3	1/6
Linggi Pref.	1/3	1/6
Linggi Warrants	1/3	1/6
Malacca	1/3	1/6
Malacca Pref.	1/3	1/6
Malacca Warrants	1/3	1/6
Malaya	1/3	1/6
Malaya Pref.	1/3	1/6
Malaya Warrants	1/3	1/6
Malay Peninsula	1/3	1/6
Malay Peninsula Pref.	1/3	1/6
Malay Peninsula Warrants	1/3	1/6
Malay States	1/3	1/6
Malay States Pref.	1/3	1/6
Malay States Warrants	1/3	1/6
Malaysian	1/3	1/6
Malaysian Pref.	1/3	1/6
Malaysian Warrants	1/3	1/6
Mandalay	1/3	1/6
Mandalay Pref.	1/3	1/6
Mandalay Warrants	1/3	1/6
Negri Sembilan	1/3	1/6
Negri Sembilan Pref.	1/3	1/6
Negri Sembilan Warrants	1/3	1/6
Pahang	1/3	1/6
Pahang Pref.	1/3	1/6
Pahang Warrants	1/3	1/6
Perak	1/3	1/6
Perak Pref.	1/3	1/6
Perak Warrants	1/3	1/6
Selangor	1/3	1/6
Selangor Pref.	1/3	1/6
Selangor Warrants	1/3	1/6
Sembawang	1/3	1/6
Sembawang Pref.	1/3	1/6
Sembawang Warrants	1/3	1/6
Singapore	1/3	1/6
Singapore Pref.	1/3	1/6
Singapore Warrants	1/3	1/6
Sungei Bahru	1/3	1/6
Sungei Bahru Pref.	1/3	1/6
Sungei Bahru Warrants	1/3	1/6
Sungei Kapar	1/3	1/6
Sungei Kapar Pref.	1/3	1/6
Sungei Kapar Warrants	1/3	1/6
Sungei Kapar (x.d.)	96/3	96/6
Sungei Kapar Pref. (x.d.)	96/3	96/6
Sungei Kapar Warrants (x.d.)	96/3	96/6
Sungei Rajah	1¼	1½
Sungei Rajah Pref.	1¼	1½
Sungei Rajah Warrants	1¼	1½
Sungei Rajah (x.d.)	96/3	96/6
Sungei Rajah Pref. (x.d.)	96/3	96/6
Sungei Rajah Warrants (x.d.)	96/3	96/6

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BATTERSBY & CO.'S SALES.

SALE THIS DAY.

AT OUR SALEROOMS, 39 WESTMORELAND ST., 1.30 o'c.

BALLITORE, CO. KILDARE.

VERY VALUABLE GRAZING AND FATTENING LANDS, 133 Statute Acres,
And Three Residences thereon, known as
"GRIESE MOUNT," "FULLER'S COURT," AND "GRIESE BANK,"
Together with the Water Power Rights belonging to Old Ballitore Mills and valuable Timber, comprising Larch, Spruce, Beech, etc.
Fuller particulars and Conditions of Sale, showing plans, may be had from
Messrs. A. and L. GOODBODY, Solicitors, Dame Chambers, Dame street.

3 GREENMOUNT ROAD, TERENURE.

IMMEDIATE POSSESSION.
Held for 900 years, subject to £2 2s. per annum.
P.L.V. £40. County Council rates only.
Messrs. JOINT and CRAWFORD, Solicitors, 1 and 2 Foster place.

"MAYFIELD," CLAREVILLE RD., RATHGAR.

IMMEDIATE POSSESSION.
Held for 780 years, subject to £8 8s. per annum.
P.L.V. £36. Open 11 to 4 for inspection.
J. HAWTHORNE, Solicitor, 15 Eustace street.

59 JONES'S ROAD.

IMMEDIATE POSSESSION.
Held for term of 500 years, subject to £2 5s.
P.L.V. £12.
Messrs. O'CONNOR and CO., Solicitors, 57 Dame street.

77 SOUTH CIRCULAR ROAD.

IMMEDIATE POSSESSION.
Held for 96 years. Head Rent £3 12s. P.L.V. £24.
Messrs. VINCENT and BEATTY, Solicitors, 62 and 63 Dame street.

2 CROSTHWAITE PARK, SOUTH, KINGSTOWN.

IMMEDIATE POSSESSION. FREE OF RENT.
Messrs. BROWN and McCANN, Solicitors, 25 Anglesea street.

"YALTA," SILCHESTER ROAD, GLENAGEARY.

ATTRACTIVE SEMI-DETACHED VILLA RESIDENCE.
Messrs. BEAUCHAMP and ORR, Solicitors, 5 Foster place.

9, 10, 11 STAMER STREET, S.C. ROAD.

IN ONE OR MORE LOTS
Each is held for 500 years at £5 6/8, and are let to yearly tenants at £60 free of taxes.

32 & 34 LENNOX STREET,

With COTTAGE AT REAR OF No. 32,
IN ONE OR MORE LOTS.
Held with other premises for 500 years, subject to £4 yearly.

BATTERSBY & CO.,

AUCTIONEERS.

EXECUTORS' SALE—D. C. FERGUSON, DECEASED. DETACHED RESIDENCE WITH IMMEDIATE POSSESSION.
HELD IN FEE-SIMPLE. NO GROUND RENT.
DALKEY.
ST. GERMAINS, VICO ROAD.

MESSRS. TALBOT COALL and SON have been instructed to SELL BY AUCTION, at 12 o'clock noon,
ON TUESDAY, 13TH JANUARY, 1920,
The above Detached Marine Residence held in perpetuity free of all rent, standing on about 2 acres, beautifully situated, overlooking Killiney Bay, and commanding uninterrupted sea views. The house contains 3 reception rooms on ground floor, 5 bedrooms, servant's accommodation, kitchen, pantries, etc.; hot and cold water supply throughout, modern sanitation, no basement. There is a motor stable, and the grounds are well laid out as pleasure and kitchen gardens. Orders to view from the AUCTIONEERS.
ALSO THE ENTIRE OF THE
SUPERIOR HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,
Including:—FINE OLD GRANDFATHER CLOCK IN SHERATON CASE, with Original Brass Dial; Piano, in elonated case, by Brinsmead; another in walnut case, by Allison; Carved Walnut Drawing-room Suite, upholstered in old velvet; Carved and Gilded Console Table, with lofty plate over; Walnut Ormolu Mounted China Cabinet; Brussels Carpets, Wool and Skin Rugs, Curtains, Music Waggon, Walnut Oval Table, Standard Lamp, Curtains, Oil Paintings, Engravings, Ornaments, Lustres, Bronzes, Gilt-framed Overmantels, Mahogany Dining-room Table, Superior Mahogany Sideboard, Chippendale Chairs; Imperial Axminster and Indian Carpets, Axminster Corridor Rugs and Hearthrugs, Linoleum and Oilcloth.
On View To-day. Auction commences 12.30.

JOSEPH F. KEOGH & CO.
AUCTIONEERS AND VALUERS, HOUSE AND ESTATE AGENTS,
25 BACHELOR'S WALK, DUBLIN.

THIS DAY (THURSDAY),
IN THE CENTRAL AUCTION ROOMS, 9 BACHELOR'S WALK, SELLING BY AUCTION A CHOICE COLLECTION OF ANTIQUE AND MODERN FURNITURE,
REMOVED FROM AILESBURY ROAD, FOXROCK, CASTLEKNOCK.
Massive Walnut Choral 5ft. Bedroom Suite, cost 80 gns.; Bedstead to match; six Round Chairs, Walnut Mirror Sideboard, two Violins, Leather Diningroom Suite, Brass Beds and Bedding; Engravings and Oil Paintings; Oilcloths, two Oak Bedroom Suites, Duchesse Table and Marble Wash Stand; Ebonised Walnut Mirror, Overmantel, Hall Clocks, Jewellery, Carpets, Rugs, Mahogany Set Diner Tables, 10ft. x 4ft.; six "M" Chairs, Cabinet Marble do., Hall Stand, and Chairs, Bed and Wicker Chairs, Dinner and Tea Ware, Oaks, Easy and Single Chairs, Wardrobe, T. Table, Wash Stand, Ware Rails, Lamps, Kitchen Chairs, Coal, Patent Chairs, Hose, Carriage Drapery, Tools, Scales, 50 Clocks, Pans, and Pipings, Biscuits, Milk Cans.
SALE AT ONE O'CLOCK. FEES, FIVE PER CENT.
P. A. WREN,
AUCTIONEER, HOUSE AGENT, &c. 9 BACHELOR'S WALK.
TELEPHONE, 137.

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THE MANAGER.

5 HARDWICKE STREET.

Compact House, producing £1 1/- weekly. Held for 900 years from 1806, subject to £11 15/6.
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WELL-SECURED HEAD RENT OF £56 9s. 6d. PER ANNUM,
Arising out of
"MARIANELLA," ORWELL RD., RATHGAR.
Imposing Residence, standing on Six Acres.
Held for ever, free of rent, and sublet under Lease of the 14th June, 1845, for 1,000 years, at £56 9/6 per annum. (Landed Estates Court Title).

HEAD RENT OF £10 PER ANNUM,
OUT OF
2 ROSTREVOR TERRACE, RATHGAR.
Messrs. BROWN and McCANN, Solicitors, 25 Anglesea street.

CORISH ESTATE, BLACKROCK.
PROFIT RENTS, etc., out of EXCELLENT BUSINESS HOUSES,
Nos. 16, 18, 20, 22, 24 MAIN STREET, BLACKROCK,
In One or More Lots.
The property is held for 99 years from 1843, subject to the yearly rent of £51 17s. 0d., and they are let as follows:—

No. 16—Lease for 70 years from 1837. P.L.V. £27.	Rent	£31	7 6
No. 18—Lease, 54 years, from 1892. P.L.V. £45.	Rent	29	6 0
No. 20—Lease, 70 years, from 1856. P.L.V. £53.	Rent	34	3 6
No. 22—Lease, 70 years, from 1837. P.L.V. £30.	Rent	29	6 0
No. 24—Lease, 70 years, from 1857. P.L.V. £30.	Rent	31	6 0
Total		£155	9 0

Messrs. M. J. O'CONNOR and CO., Solicitors, Wexford.

Nos. 1 to 10 (inclusive) THORNCASTLE PLACE; 47, 49, 51, 53, 55, 57, 59, 61 THORNCASTLE ST.; 1, 2, 3, 5 COMMERCIAL COURT; 1, 2, 3 BOTTLE HOUSE LANE; 5 to 11 (inclusive) CAMBRIDGE ST.; 1 to 14 (inclusive) CAMBRIDGE PLACE, RINGSEND.
Messrs. CARRUTHERS and GAMBLE, Solicitors, 30 Fleet street.
J. T. WOOD LATIMER, Esq., Rent Receiver, 17 Fownes street.

51 DENZILLE STREET.
KEY 52.
Held for 13 years unexpired at £42 10/- per annum. The Shop is let on a yearly tenancy at £25 weekly, and purchaser will be entitled to take up possession from the present tenant.
FRANCIS CLINCH, Esq., Solicitor, 44 Fleet street.

AUCTION OF HIGH-CLASS FURNITURE.

OVERSTRUNG COTTAGE PIANOS, &c., AT 12.30 o'c.

TO-MORROW AT 29 BACHELOR'S WALK, COX'S AUCTION ROOMS.

Comprising: Three sweet-toned Upright Grand Cottage Pianos, American Organ; Dublin-made Mahogany Sideboard (by Martin), with Enclosed Cupboards and Drawers; Seven-piece Chesterfield Suite, Spring-upholstered, covered in Tapestry; Antique Arm Chair, Antique Mahogany Pedestal Sideboard, Chippendale China Cabinet; magnificent Set of Double Screw Spanish Mahogany Dining Tables, 15ft. x 5ft.; Antique Fire Screen, Copper Coal Box, Lady's Chippendale Drawingroom Bureau; 8ft. Set of Mahogany Screw Tables, 6ft. do.; Antique Gilt Mirror, White Enamelled Oak and Mahogany Overmantel Glasses, Drawingroom Centre Tables, two 4ft. 6in. Walnut Sideboards, two old Carved Oak Hall Chairs, 6ft. 6in. Oak Glass-back Enclosed Sideboard, Oak Dumb Waiter, and Dining Table to match; Gilt Adam-style Mirror, Brass Upholstered Fender Seat, two Diningroom Clocks, French Repeater Carriage Clock, Brass Fenders and Brasses; Nine-piece Walnut Dining Suite, in Green Velvet, Spring-upholstered and Hair-stuffed; six Mahogany-framed Antique Dining Chairs; Drawingroom Suite, 7 pieces, Mahogany Inlaid Frames; Set of three Sheffield Dish Covers, Pair Gilt Convex Mirrors; Burr Walnut Office Table, with Drawers; Nine-piece Diningroom Suite, in Red Bexine; Nine-piece Oak Spoon-back Suite, covered in Green Lister's Velvet; Walnut Hall Stand, Butler's Tray and Stand, five Mahogany Oval and Round Pedestal Tables, White Enamelled Open Bookshelf, Oak Roll-top Desk; Gramaphone and Records; Pictures and Paintings; Pair of Library Arm Chairs, Mahogany Show-case and Cabinet, Antique Rosewood Sofa Table; superior Dublin-made Walnut Bedroom Suite; magnificent 7ft. Dublin-made Mahogany do., with Glass Door; Break-front Wardrobe and Duchesse Pair; Queen Anne 3ft 6in. do.; 6ft. 6in. Birch Bedroom Suite, and large extra Chest of Drawers, all Ash-lined; several Small Bedroom Suites; Satin Walnut Duchesse Pair, Mahogany Cheval Dressing Chest, Mahogany Duchesse Pair; ten Single and Double All-Brass and Black and Brass Beds, with good Wire and Pure Curled-Hair Mattresses; 5ft. Oak Bedroom Suite, and Oak Bed to match; Mail Car; Carpets, about 20 lengths of Linoleum; Tip-up Wash Basin; two doz. "J.J. & S." *** Whiskey (per sample); Kitchen and Deal Furniture, and numerous other Lots. GOODS ON VIEW.
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49 QUEEN STREET, DUBLIN.
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TO-MORROW, 9th JANUARY.
LADYSCHAPEL, MAYNOOTH.—For Colonel the Hon. E. Lawless—Letting of 65 Acres Prime Land, including 50 Acres luxuriant Aftergrass, in divisions. Sale 12.30 o'clock.
SAME DAY.
KILLEEN, DUNSHAUGHLIN.—For Messrs. N. Brabazons and P. Smith—Letting of 14 Acres, in small divisions, for Grazing or Meadowing. Sale 2 o'clock.
NEXT MONDAY, 12th JANUARY.
FOREST, CLOGHRAN.—For Mrs. Allen—Letting of 90 Acres Grazing, in divisions. Sale 12.30 o'clock.
SAME DAY.
MAGAZINE, HOLLYBROOK PARK.—For J. Kenny, Esq.—Letting of 10 Acres Grazing Land. Sale 1.30 o'clock.
NEXT WEDNESDAY, 14th JANUARY.
ANNSBROOK, BALLYBOGHILL.—For P. Merrick, Esq.—Letting of 80 Acres Grazing, in divisions. Sale 12.30 o'clock.
NEXT THURSDAY, 15th JANUARY.
SALE OF SLATED COTTAGE and LAND, containing 5a. 2r. 39p., statute, Cappagh, Finglas (only three miles from Dublin Castle Market), for Mr. Hayes, Esq. Land Commission annuity, £7 6/4.—GORE and GRIMES, Solicitors, 9 Cavendish row.
FRIDAY, 16th JANUARY.
KIMMAGE, most convenient to the city.—For A. Farrington, Esq.—35 Acres Prime Grazing Land, in divisions. Sale at 12 o'clock.
GIBBONS, TALLAGHT.—For F. Glynn, Esq.—13 Acres Grazing. Sale 1 o'clock.
CORBALLIS, SAGGART.—For J. Kenny, Esq.—12 Acres Grazing, for Cattle, Sheep, and Horses. Sale at 3 o'clock.
MONDAY, 19th JANUARY.
KILLAKEE, RATHFARNHAM.—For the Hon. Hamon Masey—Letting of 150 Acres Grazing, in divisions, and some for Tillage. Sale 12.30 o'clock.

NEXT THURSDAY.
IMPORTANT AUCTION OF EXCELLENT GRASS FARM, WITH RESIDENCE AND OUTOFFICES, HELD IN FEE-SIMPLE.
CONFEY, ABBEY HOUSE, LEIXLIP, CO. KILDARE
(1½ MILES FROM LUCAN AND LEIXLIP STATIONS).

P. O'CONNOR and SON are favoured with instructions from the Trustees of the Hartley Estate, TO SELL BY AUCTION, at their ESTATE SALEROOMS, 49 QUEEN STREET, DUBLIN, on NEXT THURSDAY, 15th JANUARY, at 1.30 o'clock, in Two Divisions, containing respectively ALL THE INTEREST AND GOODWILL IN THE ABOVE FARM, held in fee-simple, subject only to Quit Rent, £12 4/3 per annum, 154a. 3r. 30p., statute measure (with residence and outoffices), and 21a. 1r. 24p., statute measure.
The Lands are all in grass, the greater portion of which is most promising 1st Crop Meadow, and have been let for some years past on the 11 months' system, producing fine profit rents.
The Residence is a substantial one, containing drawingroom, diningroom, 4 bedrooms, kitchen, etc., and is in excellent order. The outoffices consist of hay barn, with tyings for over 40 cattle, coach-house, stable, and haggard.
The Property is most conveniently situated, being only 1½ miles from Lucan and Leixlip Railway Stations, and 8½ miles from Dublin.
EDWARD WHITE, Solicitor, having Carriage of Sale, 16 Molesworth street.

IMPORTANT SALE OF PRIME FARM, WITH EXCELLENT RESIDENCE AND OUT-OFFICES, PURCHASED UNDER THE ASHBOURNE ACT.
THE PADDOCK, RATOATH, CO. MEATH.

P. O'CONNOR and SON are favoured with instructions from N. Martin, Esq., TO SELL BY AUCTION, on an early date, ALL THE FARM AND GOODWILL IN ABOVE, containing 265a. 1r. 27p. Statute Measure, purchased under the Ashbourne Act, subject to the very moderate terminable annuity of £122 15s. 2d.
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IMPORTANT SALE BY AUCTION,

SATURDAY, MONDAY, TUESDAY NEXT, JAN. 10, 12, 13, 1920.
EACH DAY AT ONE O'CLOCK PRECISELY.

JAMES HILL & SON,
10, 11, 12 BACHELOR'S WALK,

Having received instructions, will offer FOR SALE BY AUCTION, within their spacious Galleries, as above, THE WHOLE OF THE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, together with some portions of the Stock in Trade, Tools, etc., re T. H. Dennany, deceased, monumental mason, Glasnevin, together with, important consignments from Newland row, Merrion road, Sydney parade, and other addresses. Full particulars in later advertisements.

10, 11, 12 BACHELOR'S WALK, DUBLIN.
TUESDAY, JANUARY 13, 1920,
AT ONE O'CLOCK PRECISELY.
UPWARDS OF TWELVE HUNDRED IRON BEDSTEADS,
THE PROPERTY OF A CONTRACTOR.
FOR SALE, WITHOUT RESERVE, IN LOTS TO SUIT PURCHASERS.
These Bedsteads are 2' 6" wide, either with heavy angular or tubular sides, and heavy gauge wire springs. All are in new, or nearly-new, condition, having been in military use for a short period only, and are eminently suitable for hospital, institution, hotel, or private use, costing originally forty-five shillings each. The Auctioneers are commissioned to purchase for parties unable to attend Sale.

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SALES BY AUCTION.

JOHN THORNTON & CO., AUCTIONEERS.

DALKEY—THIS DAY.

Furniture and Books, Piano, etc., at "IERNE," Collemore road, as already fully advertised. View from 10 o'clock. Sale 12 sharp.

No. 2 CASTLE TERRACE, DALKEY.

On FRIDAY, 16th JANUARY, RESIDUE OF FURNITURE, PIANO, BOOKCASE, etc. Detailed particulars in future advertisements.

No. 6 CLARINDA PARK, NORTH, KINGSTOWN.

Auction of INTEREST IN LEASE, ENTIRE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, etc., on a date to be named, for Executors of the late Miss Kennedy.
Full particulars will shortly appear in advertisements and posters.

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TUESDAY NEXT, JANUARY 13th, at Coolera, Robertstown, Co. Kildare, for Reps. of Mrs. Rourke—60 head of Cattle, 50 Ewes in Lambs, 45 Wedders and Lotting of 130 Acres for Grazing to December 1st, 1920. Sale at One o'clock.
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WEDNESDAY, 21st JANUARY, 1920,
ATTRACTIVE SEMI-SUBURBAN RESIDENCE,
34 HOLLYBROOK ROAD, CLONTARF.
Lease 245 years from 1902 at £6 6/-.
This House is semi-detached and two-storeyed, with bay window to roof. It contains drawingroom, with handsome carved mantelpiece, diningroom, 5 bedrooms, roomy box room, bathroom, separate w.c. (but supply to bath and lavatory basin), tiled kitchen and pantry, hot scullery supply, hot press, good garden at rear containing out-offices and having rear entrance, in addition to side entrance. The House is at present let at £65 per annum, and possession may be procured by the buyer on three months' notice from the 1st day of any month. The locality is very select. The House can be seen by appointment to be made with the Auctioneer.
Conditions of Sale from
FRANCIS CLINCH, Solicitor, 44 Fleet street.
Further particulars, Orders to View, etc., from
W. J. HOLDEN,
AUCTIONEER, 2 SAINT ANDREW STREET.

EXECUTOR'S SALE
WEDNESDAY, 21st JANUARY, 1920.
BUSINESS PREMISES AND DWELLING,
124 UPPER DORSET STREET.
Held for ever at £6 7/- per annum.
This is a Four-storey Structure, having two Shops, also a Two-storey Cottage at the rear. The shops, living accommodation (with the exception of three rooms on drawingroom floor, estimated to be worth 8/- per week), and cottage are let to weekly tenants, and bring in—with the above-mentioned estimated rent—£3 17/- per week, or, per annum £70 4 0
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This House is situated in a good business locality, where there is no shortage of good tenants.
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Further particulars, Orders to View, etc., from
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FURNITURE AUCTION,
At 12 o'clock on
THIS DAY (THURSDAY), AT
8 PALMERSTON GARDENS,
COWPER ROAD.
HAVING Sold the House, we are further instructed to Sell a Residue of Furniture, comprising—Black Wood Framed Overmantel, Chimney Glass, Copper Coals, Inlaid Drawingroom, Bentwood, and Arm Chairs, Set of 6 Mah. Frame Dining Chairs, Carved Mah. Frame Couch, Grandfather Clock, in Mah. Case; Walnut Hall Stand, Carved Oak Hall Table and 2 do. Chairs, Enclosed Mahogany Bookcase, with brass mounts; quantity of Linen, Brass and Iron and Iron Frame Beds, Spring and Hair Mattresses, Mah. Washstands, Oval and other Mah. Frame Toilet Mirrors, do. Washstands, Stained Tables, Mah. Towel Rails, Walnut Circular Top Tables, Curtains, Lamps, Perforator, Plate Chest, 2 Kitchen Dressers, Meat Safe, Ornaments, Kitchen Cupboard, Mangle, Wall Clock, Kitchen Utensils, Greenhouse Plants, Garden Seat, Lawn Mower, about 1 Ton Coal, Garden Tools, etc.
On View This Morning from 10 o'clock to 12 o'clock.
To prevent overcrowding, a charge of 6d. will be made for admission.
PIANOS SOLD AT 3 O'CLOCK.

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MARLBOROUGH HOUSE,
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EXECUTOR'S DISPERSAL SALE.
ENTIRE HERD OF TWENTY-FOUR PURE-BRED ABERDEEN-ANGUS CATTLE; HAY, STRAW, ROOTS, etc., etc.
WILLIAM G. WOOD and SONS are favoured with instructions from the Reps. of late James Shorten, J.P., M.D., to SELL BY AUCTION on WEDNESDAY, 14th JANUARY, 1920, this particularly attractive Pedigree Herd, including Cows, Heifers, Stock Bull, Young Bulls, and Calves, of the best blood obtainable, with all the best characteristics of this famous breed. The foundation stock having been chosen with great care by the late Dr. Shorten, who was one of the best-known Aberdeen-Angus Breeders in the South of Ireland.
Sale at 1.15 p.m. Catalogues on application. Commissions executed.
The 9.45 train from Cork to Timoleague or Bandon will be in good time for sale, and purchasers can return same evening. Timoleague Station, 5 miles; Bandon, 8 miles. Motors can be had at Bandon. Cattle will be put free on rail.
WILLIAM G. WOOD & SONS,
Auctioneers and Cattle Salesmen,
79 SOUTH MALL, CORK; BANDON, and SKIBBEREEN.

SALES BY PRIVATE TREATY.

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WE have been instructed by Owner to SELL by PRIVATE TREATY the VALUABLE LEASE in the HOUSES known as 66, 67, and 68 CORK STREET.
McGANN and McGANN have several Lots of GRAZING LAND suitable to Dairy-owners and others, to be Let on North and South sides of Dublin.
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FOR SALE BY PRIVATE TREATY, Indemnified against all rent, with long lease, very Extensive Premises, suitable for Motor Garage, Factory, Warehouse, or other purposes requiring large covered space. Premises fit and ready. Would offer for Sale the large Premises purchased by them in order to carry on their business, and situate in Great Brunswick street, Dublin. The buildings are brick and stone built, with concrete floor, and roofed with slate, and comprise one storey and basement. Early possession can be given. Tenders for purchase will be received up to January 14th by
WM. MONTGOMERY & SON,
1 FOSTER PLACE, DUBLIN,
to whom application for further particulars can be made; or to
Messrs. FRANKS and OULTON, Solicitors, 21 Lower Fitzwilliam street, Dublin, having Carriage of Sale.

HOUSES WANTED CONTD. (FROM PAGE 3.)

HOUSE Wanted, Unfurnished, 6 to 8 rooms, bath, h. and c., within 3 miles of Rathmines.—M 1007, this office. D
HOUSE Wanted, to Rent, £35 to £55, by end of March; 2d. tram from Pillar; north of south side.—M 1446, this office. D
SMALL Furnished House or self contained Flat Wanted immediately, Dundrum vicinity; state terms.—M 1328, this office. D
SMALL House, Furnished or Unfurnished, Wanted by married couple, no children, from April 1st, South side.—M 1503, this office. D
SMALL Furnished House Wanted, North side, 2 or 3 bedrooms; about £35 inclusive.—M 1359, this office. D
WANTED within next few months, House with 5 or 6 rooms; £50; South side or sea.—M 850, this office. D
WANTED, modern House, any district, rent £40 to £50.—M 1380, this office. D
WANTED to Purchase, House, Dartmouth square or vicinity, about £1,500.—M 1500, this office. D
WANTED, to Purchase, well built Modern House, non basement, Foulkesbe or Rathgar district, with possession in May or earlier; price about £1,000. Reply 201, Irish Times Office, Blackrock.
WANTED, to Purchase, modern House, with possession, about £400 or £500.—M 1486, this office. D
WANTED by an excellent tenant, two in family, a small Unfurnished House, Rathmines or Rathgar district, early in March; rent £30 to £50; inward for key if required.—M 1444, this office. D
WANTED, end January, small Furnished House, six rooms, about £2 10/ weekly. Apply A., Irene, Greenatown.
WANTED Furnished House, Dublin or suburbs; small family; careful tenants; five months; about £100.—M 1504, this office. D
WANTED, to Purchase House, possession or early possession, Rathmines or Rathgar Township; about £800 to £1,200.—M 1534, this office. D
£15 OFFERED for Key of Modern House, South side, rent £40 to £45.—M 1379, this office. E
£20 REWARD offered for House, Rathmines, Pembroke, rent £90 to £80; possession March-April next.—M 1446, this office. D

APARTMENTS TO LET. DUBLIN AND DISTRICT.

A PARTMENTS—Lists from Central Bureau Agency, 30 Nassau st. Enclose stamp.
A 17 Northumberland road—Rooms, with or without board; visitors or permanent. D
A Auburn, 11 Rathmines road—Apartments, with or without board, full or partial.
A VERY comfortable Home Offered; 2 ladies; Paying Guest, 1/c., vicinity Eglinton road.—M 1317, this office.
A N ideal Board Residence, home comforts, house standing in own grounds, three minutes tram or train; hot and cold water, cycling; Lodge, Dundrum Bushfields, telephone—Ballsbridge, 618. A
A T 10 Northumberland road—Rooms now Vacant; electric light; pretty train. D
B Dublin gentlewoman near Pembroke, for students, with full board; moderate.—F 4213, Apartments, this office.
COMFORTABLY Furnished lock up Flat near Phoenix Park, sitting-room, bedroom, kitchenette (gas cooker), use attendance; no children; Protestants; references.—M 1464, this office. D
COMFORTABLE Combined Room, use kitchen, cooker; suit 2/c. student.—91 Leeson st., Upper. D
DRAWINGROOM Flat, four large comfortably Furnished Rooms, with servant's room, use of kitchen, entire use of range, hot bath, gas cooker, to be Let to refined family having own maid who will take sole charge of hall, kitchen, stairs; pre-war rent.—M 1329, this office. D
FLAT, superior Furnished, self contained, hall, first floor, vacancy 3 sitting, 3 bedrooms, separate kitchen, pantry, bath, and c. h. p.; gas, electric, and garden if required; select; suit detached ladies' private house; South county; North side, on tram line, within 20 minutes' journey.—F 4150, Flat, this office. F
FURNISHED Apartments, with attendance, moderate terms.—83 Lower Beechwood avenue. D
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HIGH Class Board Residence.—43 Lower Leeson st. D
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APARTMENTS TO LET AND WANTED.

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BRAY—Unfurnished Flat, four rooms, one floor, electricity, bijhds, bath.—74, Irish Times Office, Bray. D
CLARINDA Park, Kingstown—Gentleman can have two large Rooms, Bedroom, late dinner, moderate terms.—D, Irish Times Office, Kingstown. D
DALKEY—Furnished Flat, 3 rooms, near tram and train; hot and cold bath, attendance; moderate rent.—Apply Marsden's Library, Kingstown. D
KINGSTOWN—Furnished Flat, 3 rooms, for winter or longer; exceptionally sheltered; separate kitchen, etc.—M 1502, this office. D
LADY wishes to act as Paying Guest in country house in South county; moderate; preferred.—F 4251, Guest, this office.
TO Let, near Glenageary station, large, front, cheerful Bedroom, use Sittingroom, or Combined; private house, quiet; Protestant family.—Edward, Marsden's Library, Kingstown.
WANTED in Bray, from March quarter, Flat or House, Furnished or Unfurnished, for three or more years. Apply M. 1300, this office. F

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EXECUTOR'S SALE of Compact Farm at TURVEY, SWORDS, CO. DUBLIN. Acreage, 19a. 3r. 21p.; rent, £18 10/-; P.L.V., £17 10/-. Neat Cottage, 4 apartments, and suitable out-offices. The Land adjoins the main road. Sale at 1.30 p.m. Solicitor—JAMES FAGAN, Esq., 56 Rutland square. 'Phone 527.

KINGSFIELD HOUSE, CRUMLIN
MAGNIFICENT RESIDENCE, 3 reception and 5 bedrooms, kitchen, bath (h. and c.), laboratory, conservatory; gas lighting throughout. Outoffices comprise stabling for 7 horses, one shed, motor, coal, and poultry houses, dairy, etc.; 7a. 0r. 22p. splendid lands. The Property held under Lease dated December 8th, 1911, for 99 years; rent, £30; well stocked, walled-in fruit and vegetable garden of 1¼ acres attached. Sale at 3 p.m. Solicitors—Messrs. O'NEILL and COLLINS, 190 Great Brunswick street. 'Phone 33.
WE have also on our Books for Sale by Private Treaty, magnificent Grazing Farm of 280 Acres, situated about 3 miles from Balbriggan, and held in fee-simple. Full particulars to be had from

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SALE THIS DAY AT 12 O'CLOCK.
65 LOWER BEECHWOOD AVENUE, RANELAGH.
TO-DAY (THURSDAY), 8th JAN., 1920.
AUCTION of HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and EFFECTS, comprising:—Kirkman Upright Piano, rosewood case; Piano Seat; Walnut Wardrobe, Chest of Drawers, Chamber, and Occasional Tables, Couches, Easy Chairs, American Rocking and Wicker Chairs, Brussels Room and Stair Carpets, Curtains, Walnut and Gilt Overmantels, Walnut Hall Clock, Hall Stand, Walnut Hall Stool, Bookshelves, Extensive Dinner Table and Dining Chairs, Ornaments, China and Glass, three Ash and White Enamel Bedroom Suites, Duchess Dressing Chests Drawers and Pier Presses, Washstands, Toilet Ware, Brass and Iron Bedsteads, Spring and Hair Mattresses and Bedding, Kitchen Dresser and Furniture, Garden Tools, etc. On View This Morning, 10 till 12. Sale To-day (Thursday), 8th Jan., at 12 o'clock. Delivery immediately after Sale, to clear. Purchasers to pay 5 per cent. Auction Fees.

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